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Defence Changes

MUCH interest has been aroused by the reshaping of Britain's forces announced in the Defence White Paper. On the one hand there is some concern about Britain's intention to reduce the total strength of its armed forces to about half their present size, as well as cut back its forces in West Germany. On the other hand, President Eisenhower has praised the courage with which the British Government has taken its decision. And the Russians have shown their concern at Britain's determination to hit back if attacked.

The decision to end conscription in 1962 has come as a shock to some of Britain's allies although the Government had made it clear that it aimed to end National Service as soon as practicable. In the Government's view, by 1962 regular recruiting for the armed forces will be able to maintain a strength of 375,000 men, a total which should be adequate to meet Britain's commitments at that date.

The main tasks for the "new look" British forces are: to play their part with allied forces in deterring and resisting aggression; to defend British colonies and protectorates against local attack and to undertake limited operations in overseas emergencies. Giving due weight to the developments of nuclear and guided weapons and taking into account the increased range and carrying capacity of modern transport aircraft, Britain has decided to withdraw or reduce certain overseas garrisons and to reduce its land and air forces in Western Germany.

A central reserve will be maintained in the United Kingdom capable of being moved very rapidly by air to meet any overseas threat. These arrangements enhance the importance of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines as a means of bringing power rapidly to any danger spot, and the role of the aircraft carrier as a mobile air base becomes increasingly significant. The RAF can provide additional striking power if necessary.

The defence of Britain is only possible as part of the collective defence of the free world and in these new arrangements it is Britain's object to use its man-power, technical skill, productive capacity and financial resources to the best advantage in the interests of itself and her allies.

NEW RED WARNING TO WEST Alleged Meddling In East German Affairs

Moscow, Apr. 19. Soviet Communist leader, Nikita Khrushchev, today warned the Western powers not to put the Soviet Union to the test over Eastern Germany "as you did with Hungary."

At a reception in the Polish Embassy today, Khrushchev said:

"Western imperialists, do not trifle with us. Do not try to put us to the test as you did with Hungary and, as it is said, you intend to do with the German Democratic Republic. 'Be careful, we are not saints and, when necessary we know how to repel people's knuckles. Our friends of the people's democracies can rest assured that for us friendship means one for all and all for one.'"

Khrushchev said he recognised that certain difficulties existed last year in relations between the Soviet Union and Poland, but added that these difficulties were now a "thing of the past."

LIKE FIANCEE
The Soviet Communist Party leader said: "Polish people, the West are now courting you like a fiancée. They are not doing so because of your youth but merely because they want to exploit you. Believe me, you have no better friends than us."

Khrushchev said: "Our enemies are numerous and we must strengthen the Socialist camp and our defence potential. The Oder-Neisse frontier (between Poland and East Germany) is our common frontier. If the army crosses this frontier it will cross not only the Polish border but our own." He charged that the imperialist countries were hostile to the Socialist camp and particularly to the Soviet Union, adding: "We will never attack anyone, but we will not allow ourselves to be attacked."—France-Press.

London, Apr. 19. Peking radio said today that six Japanese who committed crimes in China during the Japanese war of aggression will be released shortly.—United Press.

ZHUKOV DEFENDS BRITAIN'S NUCLEAR TESTS

Moscow, Apr. 19. Marshal Georgi Zhukov, the Soviet Defence Minister, said today that Britain had as much right as the Soviet Union to carry out nuclear tests in the absence of an international agreement to end them.

Marshal Zhukov made this statement during an informal talk with reporters at a Polish Embassy reception in Moscow.

He was asked whether, if the Soviet Union had the right to carry out a series of tests, Britain had the right to carry out her tests.

(In the last fortnight the Soviet Union has carried out five nuclear tests.)

Defensive Capacity

The Defence Minister replied without hesitation: "Of course she has. As there is still no agreement on ending tests every State has the right to carry out tests and strengthen its defensive capacity. Self-defence is the inalienable right of every State."

Asked why the Soviet Union had not announced her recent series of tests, Marshal Zhukov replied: "That is entirely our own affair. I cannot say more about it. We are modest people, and we do not want to scare anyone."

"We have at our disposal adequate means for detecting any underground surface, or air tests."—Reuters.

Nationalists To Recognise Malaya

Taipei, Apr. 19. Nationalist China announced today it is prepared to recognise the Federation of Malaya after it becomes independent.

Dr Kiang Yi Seng, the Foreign Office spokesman, said: "The birth of the independent State of Malaya will be an occasion for congratulations by the free nations of the world, in particular those of Asia. We shall be pleased to work for the early establishment of relations with that or any other independent state, to promote mutual co-operation in economic, cultural and other fields."—Reuters.

TURKS INSULT MAKARIOS

Athens, Apr. 19. Greece today accused Turkish Premier Adnan Menderes of "insulting" Archbishop Makarios and said Greece will "not tolerate further provocation."

A Greek Foreign Ministry spokesman was commenting on Menderes's statement yesterday to the official Anatoli agency in which he described Makarios as a "registered terrorist."

Menderes said the Greek Government's participation in the Makarios' welcome to Greece celebrations "is evidence that Greece is Makarios's partner."

The Greek spokesman here said Menderes had "insulted a respectable citizen." "The leader of the independent Orthodox Church particularly honoured in Greece."

"Greece will not tolerate further provocation without answering it at least with the same action," the spokesman said.—United Press.

7 DIE IN CRASH

Mexico City, Apr. 19. At least seven persons died and 30 others were injured when a Mexico City-Toluca bus plunged down a 60-foot ravine some 25 miles from here last night.—United Press.

Actor Strikes Photographer

Hollywood, Apr. 19. A KICKING, screaming Anthony Franciosa, actor fiance of actress Shelley Winters, was goaded today after he flew into a rage and struck at a newspaper photographer as he was leaving the Superior Court.

Franciosa and Miss Winters appeared in court in an unsuccessful attempt to bid on an \$88,000 Beverly Hills home.

The actress, wearing no make-up and dressed in a dark suit, refused to pose for photo-

graphers and when Herald-Express photographer Bill Walker ran after the couple to snap a picture Franciosa shouted and jumped, kicking at Walker and striking the camera.

Franciosa was held in the court of Superior Judge Burnett Wolfson until police officers arrived and escorted him to jail. Judge Wolfson pleaded with Franciosa to be calm. Miss Winters said they had been told there would be no publicity about their court appearance.—United Press.

Bandit Accused Of Shooting Mother

Karachi, Apr. 19. Iranian bandit leader Dad Shah shot dead his wounded and aged mother before fleeing Iran to escape arrest, the Pakistan Press Association reported from Quetta today.

The report said the bandit leader's mother refused to join him in his escape in protest against the massacre of American and Iranian economic aid officials by his band last month.

The Pakistan Press Association also quoted Iranian police officials as saying that the bandit's ammunition was of probably prepared from Afghanistan.

FIRING ON TRUCE LINE

Gaza, Apr. 19. United Nations sources today reported a brief exchange of fire last night between a group of "unidentified persons" on the Israeli side of the truce demarcation line and a Swedish border outpost northeast of Gaza town. No casualties were reported.

A Swedish military source said his troops ordered the group approaching the truce line to halt but the latter opened fire. The Swedish UN troops then fired back, the source said.

None of the Swedish troops was hit and there were no signs the night prowlers suffered any casualties, the source said.—United Press.

Smuggling Ring Smashed

Taipei, Apr. 19. Security police announced today they had smashed a large smuggling ring, alleged to have imported half a million US dollars worth of contraband through Keelung from Hong Kong.

They said six suspects had been arrested, including a customs official, alleged to be the leader of the ring. Five others were still at large.—Reuters.

TODAY'S RACING SELECTIONS

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RACE 2 Ol Lok Princess Alex's Gift Tai Ping Shan	RACE 2 Tai Ping Shan Ol Lok Princess Ding Dong	RACE 2 Tai Ping Shan Straight Runner Ol Lok Princess	RACE 2 Ol Lok Princess Ding Dong Gay Minister
RACE 3 Sultan Carola Vigorous Ava	RACE 3 Silver Dahlia Vigorous Ava Sultan	RACE 3 Silver Dahlia Vigorous Ava Sultan	RACE 3 Vigorous Ava Sultan Mansfield II
RACE 4 Permanent View Cavalry Shillelagh	RACE 4 Permanent View Shillelagh Blue Train	RACE 4 Shillelagh Permanent View Yum Sing	RACE 4 Permanent View Yum Sing Shillelagh
RACE 5 Confuser Golden Nugget Brilliance	RACE 5 Golden Nugget Confuser Mansfield	RACE 5 Golden Nugget Brilliance O's—Na Pazi	RACE 5 Confuser Golden Nugget O's—Mansfield
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RACE 7 Temptation Curtain Calls Splendid	RACE 7 Wing Hang Temptation Splendid	RACE 7 Curtain Calls Splendid Temptation	RACE 7 Temptation Wing Hang Curtain Calls
RACE 8 Gladsie Cirrus Violet Ray	RACE 8 Gladsie Good Condition Cirrus	RACE 8 Gladsie Cirrus Violet Ray	RACE 8 Gladsie Cirrus Violet Ray
RACE 9 Serbu Co-ordination Asian Diamond	RACE 9 Serbu Co-ordination Jake	RACE 9 Serbu Asian Diamond Jake	RACE 9 Serbu Co-ordination Asian Diamond
RACE 10 Orange King Wise Leader Emperor Delight	RACE 10 Wise Leader Rebel II Comet	RACE 10 Wise Leader Orange King Emperor Delight	RACE 10 Wise Leader Emperor Delight Straight Runner
RACE 11 Fox Hunter Distant Sky Winning Touch	RACE 11 Winning Touch Fox Hunter Thousand Miles	RACE 11 Winning Touch Fox Hunter Distant Sky	RACE 11 Winning Touch Fox Hunter Distant Sky
RACE 12 Mercury Eudora Lightning Feet	RACE 12 Mercury Vincent Es Un Gabriel Jinks	RACE 12 Mercury Lightning Feet Kneeshaw	RACE 12 Mercury Norise King Vincent Es Un

MT ETNA ERUPTS

Catania, Apr. 19. Villagers of the small towns on the slopes of the mighty Mt. Etna volcano flocked to their churches to deliver prayers of thanks as the deadly stream of red-hot lava came to a halt today.

The activity of the principal crater of the Etna died out with the same speed with which it started spewing forth molten lava and burning ashes 24 hours ago.

A smaller crater, blown open about 1,000 feet below the volcano's 10,742-foot peak, was still hissing smoke and steam but its lava flow had completely died out.—United Press.

Eden Improving

Boston, Apr. 19. The condition of former British Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, who underwent an operation here last Saturday, is constantly improving, a health bulletin said today.

The health bulletin said that Sir Anthony was getting up from time to time for short periods.—France-Press.

HK SHIP ENTERS CANAL

Cairo, Apr. 19. The first British ship to enter the Suez Canal since its reopening, the 3,604-ton West Breeze, started its passage from Suez today.

An Egyptian Canal authority source said last night the West Breeze had paid tolls in Swiss francs.

The West Breeze, owned by John Manners and Company of Hongkong, is bound for European ports from Hongkong. The ship is under charter to the Far East Enterprises Company.

Messrs Lambert Brothers, agents for the West Breeze which is carrying 5,300 tons of peanuts from Hongkong to Rotterdam, paid the equivalent of 1,300 Egyptian pounds (about £1,300 sterling) in Swiss francs as canal tolls.

Lambert Brothers stated that the ship was awaiting further advice on the British Government's attitude on the Canal, he added.—Reuters.

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CASANOVA 'FREED' IN MOCK TRIAL

VIKING HALL FOUND UNDER DUNE

Inverness. Discovery of a Viking Hall beneath the sand in one of the Hebrides Islands is highlighting a race for time between archaeologists and missile men.

The remains of the Viking Hall were found beneath a sand dune on South Uist, an island off the North-west Coast of Scotland which has been selected as a British rocket proving range.

Engineers' bulldozers are already at work. Archaeologists are trying to finish their digging before they are cleared off the island.

The Viking Hall was found near Drunore, buried under four feet of sand. The Hall was 50 feet long and 20 feet wide. It was described as a "rare find."

Archaeologists now want to investigate a 100-yard long mound on Northern Uist which will be obliterated by a planned runway.

The Earl of Haddington, President of the Scottish Society of Antiquaries, said "I have no idea what is in it. But from the size it would seem to be important."

The Uist Islands were selected recently as proving range for rockets. —United Press.

Italian Panel Of 12 Judges Agrees With Defence Submission

By ELVEZIO BIANCHI

Rome.

Two love affairs a year is far below the average an Italian male generally accumulates and surely not enough to label a man a libertine.

This was the gist of a response with which a "court" made of intellectuals, movie stars, legal experts and socialites acquitted Giacomo Casanova, the famed seventeenth century lover, from a series of shameful charges.

The mock trial, held in one of Rome's most fashionable clubs, followed similar proceedings with which a number of famed historical figures in all fields, including Mary Stuart, Russian Countess Maria Tarnowska, Marie Antoinette, Madame Bovary, Marshal Bernadotte and others, had their deeds and misdeeds judged by modern minds under modern concepts of life.

SPICY MEMOIRS

Casanova, whose spicy and scandalous memoirs elicited sinful thoughts in millions of men and women who read them in most parts of the world, stood charges of having "permeated" the world and in history a conventional type of free-loading, love-making, amorous, fawning and encyclopaedic type of Italian, this, hurting Italy far more than his professional detractors.

Lawyer Argento Lazzari, one of the best known barristers in town, acted as prosecutor. He pressed the case with the help of two prosecution witnesses, former movie star Clara Colonna and socialite Luciana Angiolillo who impersonated Manon Valenti and Henriette La Provencale, two victims of Casanova's attentions.

American matinee idol Rock Hudson, Italian dramatic actor Vittorio Gassman and movie actor Rodolfo Lupi had been mentioned to play the role of Casanova in the mock trial.

Casanova is said to have been a tall man discretely good looking, with paramount egoism and considerable magnanimity.

At the last moment, however, the organizers decided it was better to hold the mock trial "in absentia."

Prosecutor Lazzari ended up his long expose of the case stating that Italians abroad are generally handicapped in their sentimental adventures by two



JENNY HAD A LITTLE LAMB ... It went with her to school

Dr. 'I'm The Last Of The True Tories'

London. JUST round the corner from Marylebone Station lives a man whose home is a pre-war Lancia saloon — parked in the street.

He is a non-practising doctor, middle-aged and plump—who keeps his name and his past to himself, except to say that he gave up his practice in protest against the introduction of the National Health Service and since they have been "a the motor trade."

He appeared with his car a month ago and has become a familiar figure at the local. Why does he live in a car?

Wants a van

"It is cheaper and more convenient than a hotel or a boarding house," he explained in a Scottish accent. "I have my radio, plenty to read, and a paraffin stove to cook my three meals a day. He sleeps in the driving seat with blankets over him. "But there are a lot of improvements I would like to make," he admitted. "I'm saving up to buy a van I can have fitted with a bunk."

He still takes an interest in medicine and has been "up late" reading newspaper accounts of the doctor's pay demands by a factor.

To the patrolling policeman he explains: "I'm the last of the true Tories."

A COUPLE OF CRAZY MIXED-UP DUCKS

London. DOZEN mallards who have gone in for high living are giving their guardians a headache.

The mallards, like all ducks, are admirably equipped for floating in water... for living at ground level.

THE PROBLEM

That is where the headache comes in. For two of the Hyde Park mallards have decided to live like ordinary birds. They have built themselves a nest in a tree 40ft. above ground. And baby mallards cannot fly.

While downy ducklings of normal parents are tumbling clumsily into the water the Hyde Park keepers are faced with the prospect of half-a-

dozen others teetering in flatfooted uncertainty on a wind-blown bough high above the earth.

Mr. Alexander Thompson, bird keeper in the royal parks, said: "The real problem is the people who look up and see a duck nesting in a tree."

"They immediately telephone to ask me if something can be done about it."

"One caller was so upset at seeing the duck up a tree that I had to give him a half-hour lecture to convince him the ducklings would not necessarily die getting down. "People forget that ducklings are very light and well-covered with down. There is plenty of space beneath the tree. There is every reason to believe that the mortality rate will be very low."

TIPPING BECOMES A MENACE IN US SAYS TRAVELLER

By BBC QUEEN

New York.

A gentleman lately come home to America after 12 years in the Orient checks in today with a considerable gripe about the high cost of tipping in this country, a living hazard he had largely forgotten about during the last decade.

"I guess you'd call it righteous indignation on my part," he said. But it was the first thing that struck me.

"You just try travelling around the United States for a couple of months with three kids and a wife and you'll see what I mean. The thought even occurred to me, while coming across the country by train, that it would be a good thing for a Presidential candidate to have an abolish-tipping plank in his platform—although I suppose it would lose him a lot of votes from the group that have developed the pattern that they've got to be tipped."

How does it work in the Orient? "Well, in Japan at least, they add a surcharge to the bill in a restaurant. It's practically always 10 per cent. You do tip a bellhop for carrying your bags if you're travelling."

"As for barbers, when they hand you your change, they give you the correct amount, without a lot of spare change thrown in as an indication that they expect a tip."

This man has been travelling, visiting relatives, through the middle west, far west, south, and east, and his impression is that tipping has reached a constant menace level for travellers in all sections, including the rather rural ones.

Even Butchers

It put him in a state of shock to return home and learn that in some places even butchers are expecting tips. For choice cuts—or even ordinary cuts. He advances the theory that tipping soon may go on a vertical kick, working its way into the palms of elevator operators in business buildings.

Ask ask. You can imagine the elevator signs: "Tips now being collected for all floors." If the amount were based on the altitude reached, visiting places like the Empire State Building could be a pretty steep business.

—United Press.

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Le Mans. Gustava Choplin, 24-year-old farmer from nearby Contrebeuf, feared the hard way not to peer into an open gas tank under the light of a flaming torch.

He did so while siphoning fuel from his car to his motorcycle.

A shattering explosion set fire to the car, the garage, a barn housing several tons of hay and straw, and a nearby stable.

Choplin was more surprised than hurt.

Damage was estimated at more than 5,000,000 francs (\$14,285). —United Press.



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The Prime Minister bows in formal Court style as he bids Godspeed to the parting Queen at London Airport. And a bouquet "from all Paris" is presented by 13-year-old Veronique Chadenot upon her arrival. (BELOW). (Express Pictures)



THE QUEEN in Paris



PARIS got a view of the Queen as she appears with Prince Philip and President Coty on the balcony of the Elysee Palace. And... THE QUEEN (right) got a view of Paris when, regally dressed, she went for a night trip down the Seine brilliantly illuminated by flood lights and fireworks. (Express Pictures)

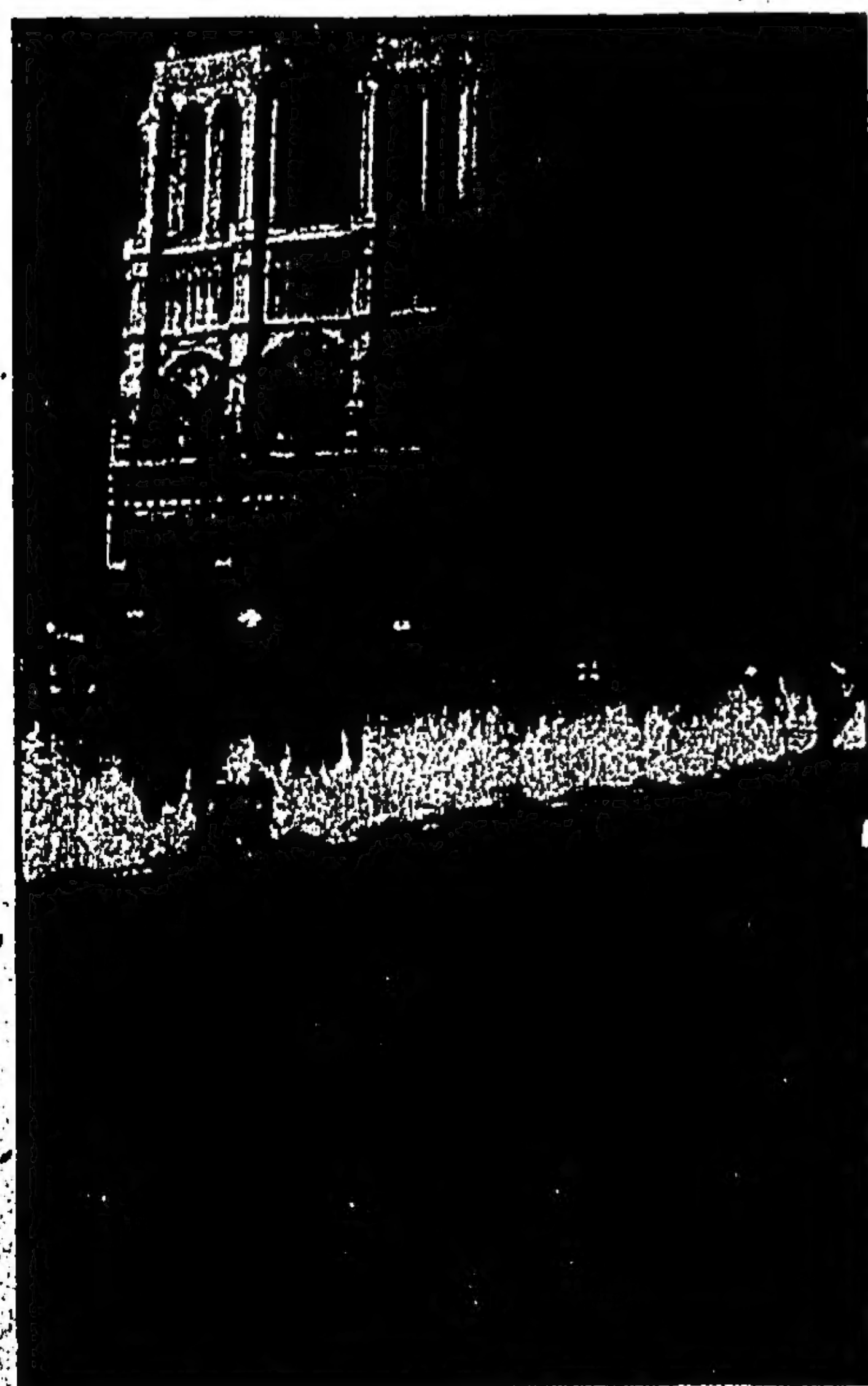


As she leaves the Paris Opera House... her gown of ivory satin glitters with pearls, topaz, and gold to represent the flowers of the fields of France.

And Flanders poppy fields were not forgotten as seven lines of traffic cram the Champs-Elysees (RIGHT).

Bringing crowds to line the route before the Queen's first official engagement... her visit to the Unknown Soldier's tomb. (LEFT and TOP RIGHT).

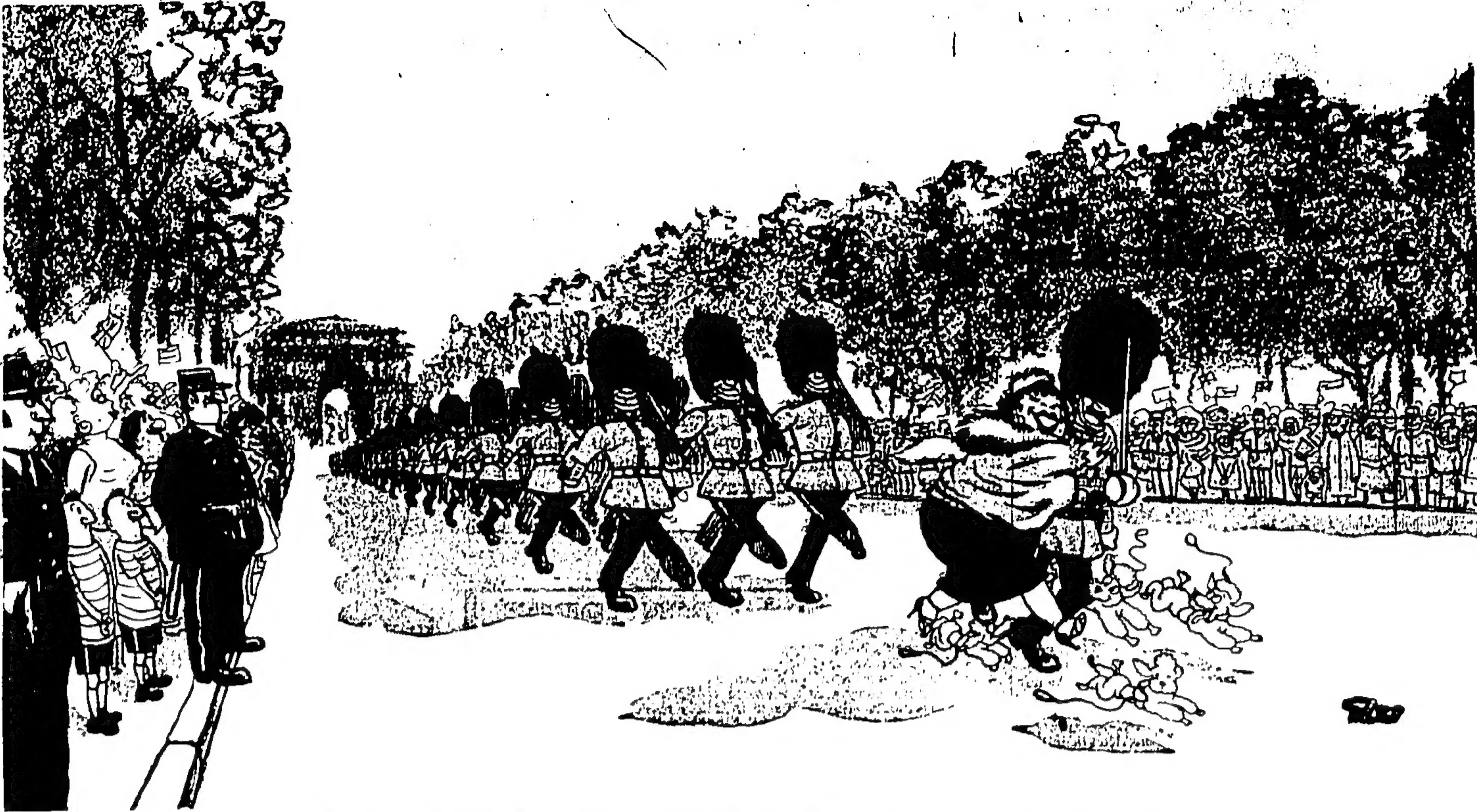
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And at the Elysee Palace (above), and at the Opera House with President Coty (right), and in a Royal Barge that passes under the flood-lit towers of Notre Dame... England's Queen, almost assumes for four days her ancient title "Queen of France". Paris was at her feet. (Express Pictures)



And, of course, Giles chips in . . .



My Basilkins, one day 'e come back."

The fifth author writes the end to our mystery serial 'No Flowers By Request'

BECAUSE OF A WOMAN

By Christianna Brand



I SHOULD have gone to her. God knows I have repented my outburst that I did not.

But I was stupefied, I suppose, by the shock and the pain and the terrors of the past half-hour, and all I can say now is that I crouched there, unseen and unremembered, listening in a fascination of horror and dread, and it never entered my numbed brain that there was anything else that I could do.

He knelt beside her. I could see her white face glistening with the cold sweat pouring readily on the cushion that he had put under her head. "You—killed her!" she said.

"Because of you," he said, savagely. "It was your fault. Following me down here from those London days, taking this job to be near me."

She mumbled something and suddenly his voice changed, he saw I suppose that this would be, could be, his only hope.

"I know, yes, I know you love me, Estelle, and you won't give me away, will you? It was your fault—letting her see what there was between us—it was your fault, so you must perfect me now. She hated me, Estelle; she stuck to me because there was nobody else she could turn to, but ever since that Philippa business she's hated me."

Philippa! Whose husband had killed himself because he had found her out in an affair with another man.

"I kept her quiet while there was no other woman in my life—she could weave a tragic romance round our loves, I suppose; but you came here, Estelle, and I couldn't keep my hands off you—and she saw."

"I thought I could end it all—it was so easy, distasteful in the tea caddy, little doses adding up, adding up. But it didn't work, she was inoculated against the stuff, I suppose, by all she had taken medicinally. I increased the dose, I saturated the tea with it."

"I thought I could get an easily enough after she was dead—who had more chance than I?—and remove the stuff, but the police locked the room. I didn't worry much, they'd missed the tea caddy—that

He talked

"I thought it was safe, locked away in there. And now—you, but you'll save you, Estelle; only you'll never tell, will you? I'll be safe with you?"

"She turned her poor head on the pillow, she choked out another question. "Oh—that. You remember that afternoon, your previous afternoon out? I spilt it, having to leave you for a little while. I came back here, Estelle; slipped through from the lane and just—sat her up."

"In a really bad case it can be fatal instantaneously."

He was silent for a long moment, looking down into her face; and then he began to talk, rapidly, carelessly, holding her attention, riveting it to him.

"It was because of Philippa, Estelle. Her husband committed suicide because he found out she was having an affair with me; and he and she were both my patients at the time. One word from Mrs. Carrington to the General Medical Council—and I was ruined for ever."

He gabbed on and on; and as he spoke, with one swift move-

ment jerked her into a sitting position and held her there.

I broke through the web of my inanition, and began to scramble past the big armchair, but once again, as I moved some-one appeared at the french window and stood staring, horrified, in.

He laid her back gently with her head on the cushion and lifted a white face to the face at the window. "Something terrible has happened, Carrington."

He got up and stood with reverent, bent head, looking down at her. "I'm afraid she's dead," said Dr. Tom Grayling.

But all this—and the subsequent history of my evidence at the trial of the conviction and execution of Thomas Grayling, murderer—I shall not trouble to explain to my prospective new employer, a Mr. Smith.

The same agency has sent him my particulars. I am waiting now in the little room at their offices to be interviewed. The door opens and he comes in. I stumble to my feet, clutching my handbag.

"Mr. Smith?"

He consults the agency's letter, "Mrs. Marton?" He is terribly nervous, he rattles it all off like a machine-gun. "I'm looking for a housekeeper, four in family, depths of the country, no amenities, no neighbours, no shops, no children, no dogs..."

"But one cat?" I say.

"Well—yes. One cat." He looks at me miserably. "Even for the sake of the cat—I suppose you wouldn't take it on?"

My hands shake on the handle of my bag. "I don't think I could," I say.

"A pity. It would have been—permanency. And your last employer gave you such excellent references..."

THE STORY SO FAR

★ WIDOW MERTON becomes a cook-house-keeper to the Carringtons. Soon after her arrival Mrs. Carrington dies. She has been poisoned. Suspicion falls on her husband. Mrs. Carrington, on Trent Carrington, war-scarred nephew, on Mrs. Philippa Deane, a niece whose husband committed suicide, and on Mrs. Estelle Carter, who looked after Mrs. Carrington.

While Mrs. Marton is trying to find the killer, she is attacked by the nurse, who has drunk tea made from the caddy in the dead woman's room. It is polished up—along the attack on widow Marton turns into a grim scene as the nurse lies sprawling on the floor of the old rectory. "He" is at the side of the nurse... NOW read on.

"That was very kind of him," I say, tartly. "What kind of references did your last housekeeper give you?"

"Not too good," he admits. "The truth is, there was a misunderstanding. I felt all one morning and look a drop of brandy to pull myself together. I'd been through a bad time. She came in before the pulling-together process had quite been accomplished."

"And later, when I offered her the — permanency — she said that she wouldn't stay with a man who drank." He gave a little, reminiscent smile. "She was a lady of exceptionally vivid imagination! But I'm afraid I resented it and we parted."

My idiotic, middle-aged heart suddenly for no apparent reason, stands on its head. "You don't drink after all?"

"I didn't then," he says. He eyes me beadily. "But, of course, after this distressing accusation..."

"You mean you've taken to drinking now?"

"Like a fish," says Mr. Smith cheerfully.

I make up my mind. I snap to the fastening of my bag with a formidable click and rise to my feet. "Well, Mr. Smith, I'm afraid I couldn't accept the post. I should strongly advise you to—"

I am obliged to take a moment off while my heart does another of those disconcerting somersaults.

"I should strongly advise you to take back that last housekeeper of yours. After what you've explained to me—I think you'll find she'll come."

And, leaving him flat, I march through to the inner office and up to the haughty young lady presiding at the desk.

"I'm sorry to have troubled you for nothing, but I've decided to return to the post I was in before—as a permanency. This Mr. Smith, I'm afraid, wouldn't suit at all."

As he follows me through and stands at my shoulder, I lean forward confidentially.

"The truth of the matter is—I believe he drinks!"

The haughty young lady looks in horror at Mr. Smith. But Mr. Smith is grinning from ear to ear.

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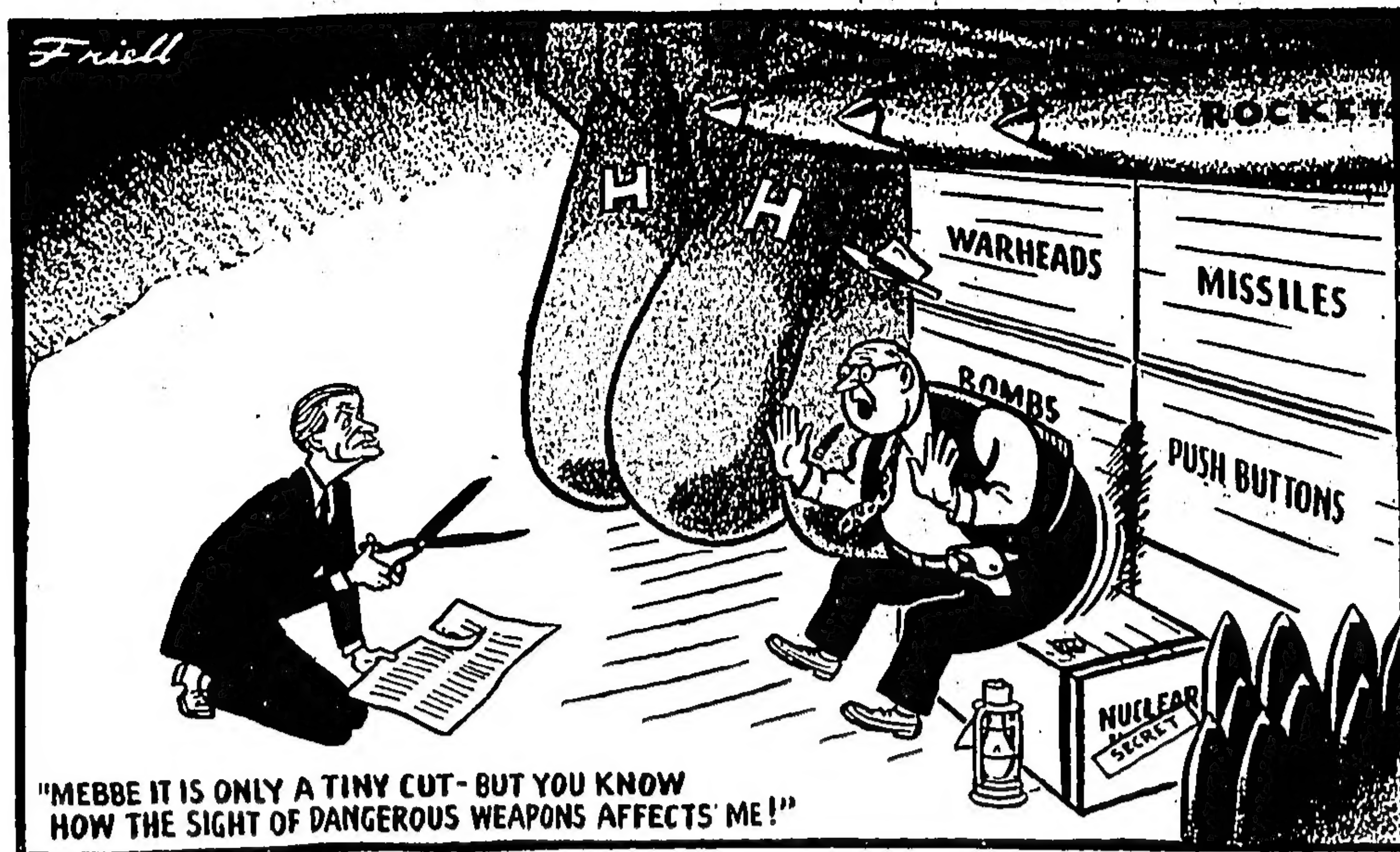
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DEFENCE CUTS SHOCK U.S. SENATORS: Latest from Washington

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Reds Buy Up U.S. Defence Shares

A SPECIAL Senate inquiry committee in Washington is probing huge share deals on Wall Street which are making the Soviet Union a "shadow partner" in American industry.

The Russians are believed to have invested millions of pounds in American securities by deals through Swiss banks.

Some of the securities, now held in secret bank accounts in Switzerland, are shares in American defence programme firms.

The Senate's Internal Security Committee will report soon that—

1 Foreign holdings of U.S. investments total £9,571 million.

2 The identity and nationality of most of the holders are unknown.

3 The American Defence Department is worried by Russia's secret partnership in

firms with secret defence contracts.

Another fear is that some of these huge foreign holdings could be withdrawn on short notice, setting off large-scale disruption of defence firms.

The Russian share deals start in Swiss banks in Bern, Zurich, and Lugano. Many purport to be the strict secrecy laws of Swiss banking by which bankers refuse to reveal names or nationalities of their clients.

It is estimated in Geneva that the "Big Three" Swiss banks hold more than £530 million worth of shares in American key industries for secret clients.

Through this "silence curtain" it is possible for Russian agents to control American companies, right down to the appointment of directors.

So strict are the Swiss banking security arrangements that banking accounts can be numbered.

The men behind the number are never known—not even to the bank carrying out investment instructions.

By

RENE MacCOLL
in Washington
ERNEST ASHWICK
in Geneva

The Washington committee has failed to find out the identity of these mystery investors, despite close questioning of witnesses from Wall Street and banking institutions.

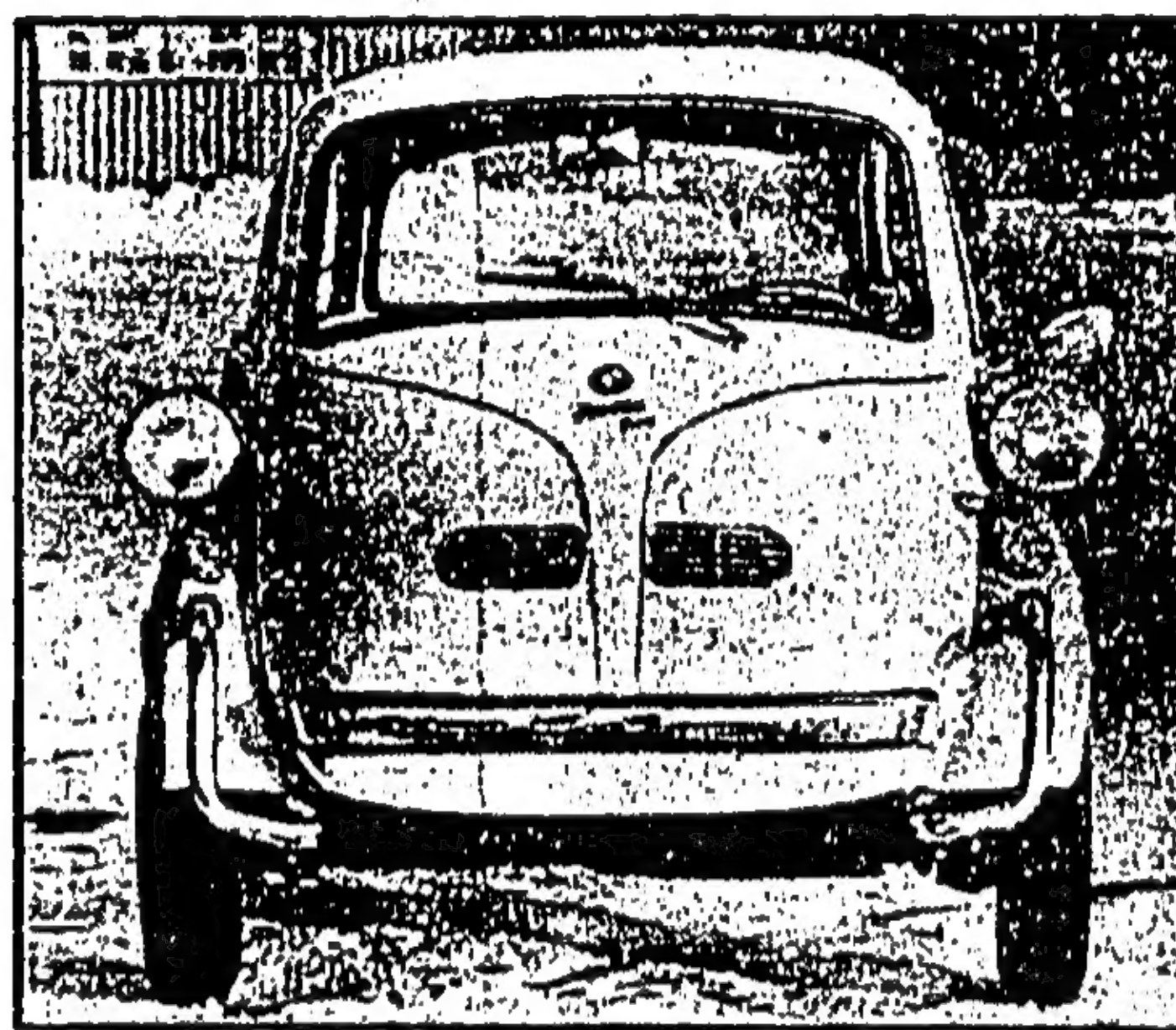
Washington politicians forecast that a full Congressional inquiry will follow the committee's report.

But the Swiss bankers are not worried. They curiously dismiss fears that the Russians could exercise any control over American companies.

For the Swiss it is good business. The banks in Switzerland form a "Clapham Junction" for many under-the-counter financial deals.

During the Suez invasion, Red China sold all her sterling holdings through Hongkong—

The 'bubble car' goes British



The new Isetta... There are delivery van and pick-up truck models.

93 MILES TO THE GALLON
—AND FOUR WHEELS

By ROBERT WALLING

THE "bubble car" that began as an Italian model and became German, has now gone British. It is the Isetta, and the new model to be built at a former railway engine works at Brighton is claimed to do 93 miles to the gallon at 30 m.p.h. and 70 m.p.g. at 50 m.p.h.

Biggest surprise is the price — £359, purchase tax paid. As a delivery van the price is to be £307 and £299 18s. will buy the pick-up truck version.

First models—1,000 are paid for—are to go to Canada after production starts next month. At the end of June they are to come on the home market.

How does the new Isetta differ from the present imported model? It has a bigger (300 c.c.) engine, better springing, and—especially with extra like bumpers and a luggage rack on its stem—a new look. It has four gears and reverse.

These little cars may seem to have only three wheels. But tucked underneath are two back wheels close together. And in a recent test of the present car I found it could corner quicker than most big cars and could be parked nose-to-the-kerb.

Though it is but a three-seater, I prophesy a big future for it as a runabout capable of long holiday trips when wanted.

Michael Foot accuses...

He names his Guilty Men of 1957—
but who will come to their defence?

by ROBERT
BLAKE

MR MICHAEL FOOT is evidently an expert on guilt. He was part-author of a once-famous wartime book—Guilty Men—which denounced the Tory Ministers who appeared a fanatically nationalist anti-Semitic dictator called Adolf Hitler.

Time passes—and here he is again, once more denouncing a Tory Ministry* for its attitude towards another fanatically nationalist anti-Semitic dictator. But not for the same reasons. The Guilty Men of 1957 are guilty not for appeasing Colonel Nasser but for being too tough with him. How difficult to please Mr Foot!

The two sets of guilty men have only one thing in common—membership of a Tory Cabinet, but perhaps that is in itself a crime—no ardent Socialists of Mr Foot's persuasion.

Safe as ever

It is, of course, idle to pretend that the Suez expedition was a success. Nasser is as safe as ever, his control over the Canal unshaken.

The Israelis have little cause to thank us for depriving them of a victory which might have driven that tin-pot dictator from power.

Relations with America and the Commonwealth have been gravely impaired. But, although no one except the most loyal and—dare one say?—unthinking Tory would claim a success, there are two very different views as to the nature of the failure.

To Mr Foot, as to all Socialists, the crime of Sir Anthony Eden lies above everything in using force without the permission—indeed, contrary to the will—of the United Nations, and he quotes with approval Mr Clement Davies (for Liberals can be just as foolish in this matter) who described the Assembly of U.N.O. as "the world's highest tribunal."

"Highest tribunal my Foot!" is the reaction which many of us, even the most patient, will feel at this observation. The United Nations is no more of a judicial tribunal than the House of Commons—and a great deal less representative of its electorate.

It is an assembly of lobbyists representing with equal voling

* Guilty Men, 1957, by Michael Foot and Merlyn Jones, Gollancz, 22s. 6d.

power nations of enormous differences in wealth and population. It will be better described as a collection of needy egotists, this extraordinary body to which Mr Eisenhower, who like all soldiers is only happy when he is a link in a chain of command, wishes to subordinate American and British foreign policy.

At all events it has so far been an utterly useless body for settling the disputes of the Middle East. In a revealing passage Mr Foot comments upon the British landing at Port Said:

"It may be said that the paratroops would have been left dangerously unsupported if the other troops had not gone in. But with the cease-fire in operation, Egypt could not have harmed them without defying the United Nations."

Is it not just conceivable, even to Mr Foot, that Egypt might have defied the United Nations? She has been doing so ever since 1951 over the blockade on Israeli shipping.

Wrong time

No, the real cause for complaint is not our belated resolve to protect our own vital interests without regard to U.N.O. It is rather that we chose the wrong time and the wrong occasion. It is clear now that we ought to have intervened when the Canal was first nationalised. If it is true that our inaction was due to military unpreparedness, that is in itself a very grave criticism of the Government.

The Israeli attack was a dubious occasion for intervention, for, at all events, we ought to have allowed the Israelis to smash Nasser and reach the Canal before taking action.

Finally, having decided to present an ultimatum, we conducted a military campaign of almost unbelievable slowness and ineptitude. Whoever was responsible for this deserves the severest condemnation—and it

is unlikely that the soldiers were guilty.

Moreover there is another serious criticism. Although much of Mr Foot's book is partisan and tendentious, many Tories will agree with him in deploring the prevarication and evasiveness of Government spokesmen in explaining the objects of the Suez intervention.

It is high time some clear statement was made. The Cabinet would be more respected if instead of dithering on about secret fires and Russian plots it had frankly admitted what was obviously the real purpose—to overthrow Nasser, establish international control over the Canal, and safeguard our oil supply. This was a perfectly legitimate objective and is in fact the only plausible explanation of what we actually did. It might have come off if only we had moved more quickly and risked some extra casualties.

The difference

Basically, when all is said and done, this was a war about oil, just as the Boer War had been about gold and diamonds. But oil, unlike gold—and here is the great difference between the two wars—is a commodity without which Britain and Europe cannot survive.

Sir Anthony Eden made a colossal error of judgment. He was a sick man goaded beyond endurance by another sick man who even when well must be maddening to deal with—Mr Dulles. But at least Sir Anthony saw the implications of Nasser's threat to the Canal.

Mr Dulles and Mr Eisenhower did not then, and it is far from clear that they do now. After all America has plenty of oil.

The truth about the Suez crisis still is—and long will be—largely a matter of conjecture.

The recent sensational disclosures of the Bromberger brothers in Paris show how difficult it is for anyone to write an authoritative account at this stage.

In any case, Mr Foot and Mr Jones are not historians: they are brilliant and highly tendentious pamphleteers.

But pamphlets can affect politics, and this one needs an answer urgently unless the Tories are going to let their whole case go by default.

Where are our pamphleteers of the Right?

DON'T BE TALKED OUT OF THE TEST

A HIGHLY organised campaign to stop the British H-bomb tests due to take place off Christmas Island soon is being waged by certain politicians, scientists, and churchmen.

If it succeeds, Britain will be reduced to the status of a country which will wield no influence in world affairs because it will wield no military power.

Without a stockpile of H-bombs Britain will suffer the disgrace of being reduced to a satellite of America instead of being a fully-fledged ally with independent strength to deter aggression. And no H-bombs can be stockpiled until the Christmas Island tests have been completed.

The campaign to stop the tests is gaining public support because the Government has done nothing to allay concern about them. So-called "security precautions" have prevented the Government from giving a true picture of the tests.

Here are the facts, which the Government should have revealed months ago:—

1 THE WEAPONS to be exploded at Christmas Island have all been specially designed to produce the least possible amount of radioactive dust, though this restriction seriously reduces the amount of military information the tests will yield.

2 THEY are all to be exploded high in the air—at considerable risk to the bomber crews which will drop them. This will ensure that the radioactive dust will fall earthwards so slowly that it can produce no hazard to health.

3 AGAINST the advice of 2 atomic scientists the Government banned any preliminary explosion on the ground for safety reasons, though again this must rob the tests of much of their value. Only with explosions on or near the ground can the full power of the bomb be measured with instruments.

It was following a ground explosion that Japanese fishermen were showered with radioactive coral after a U.S. test.

These self-imposed precautions are so restrictive that U.S. defence chiefs believe the British tests will fail. No other country, least of all Russia, has taken such precautions.

'MISGUIDED'

THOSE who oppose the tests on the political or moral plea that "world opinion" is demanding an end to them are badly misguided.

Which countries are most vocal in pressing for an end to the tests? Russia, which has already staged several H-bomb explosions—at least one on the ground—and countries like Japan, which have no hope of staging any, but which fear damage from the dust.

Those who oppose the tests on medical grounds are refusing to face the findings of the Medical Research Council, which has made it clear that there is no immediate health danger from nuclear explosives.

Japan is 4,000 miles from the explosion site. With luck I shall be within 40 miles of it. I have no fears about my future health or fertility.

Neither do I fear that my two children will suffer from the effects of any microscopical mote of Christmas Island bomb dust which may fall on them from the stratosphere in the years ahead.

'UNTHINKING'

EVERYONE realises that bomb testing, and the emission of radioactive dust from atom factories, will eventually have to be limited. But those Britons who are clamouring for international action at the very moment when their country is on the threshold of becoming an H-bomb Power are either unthinking or unpatriotic.

If the Christmas Island tests are carried out successfully there will be three major Powers in the world—the U.S., Russia, and Britain. If the tests are stopped there will be only two.

—Chapman Pincher

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What the passengers said isn't on this page

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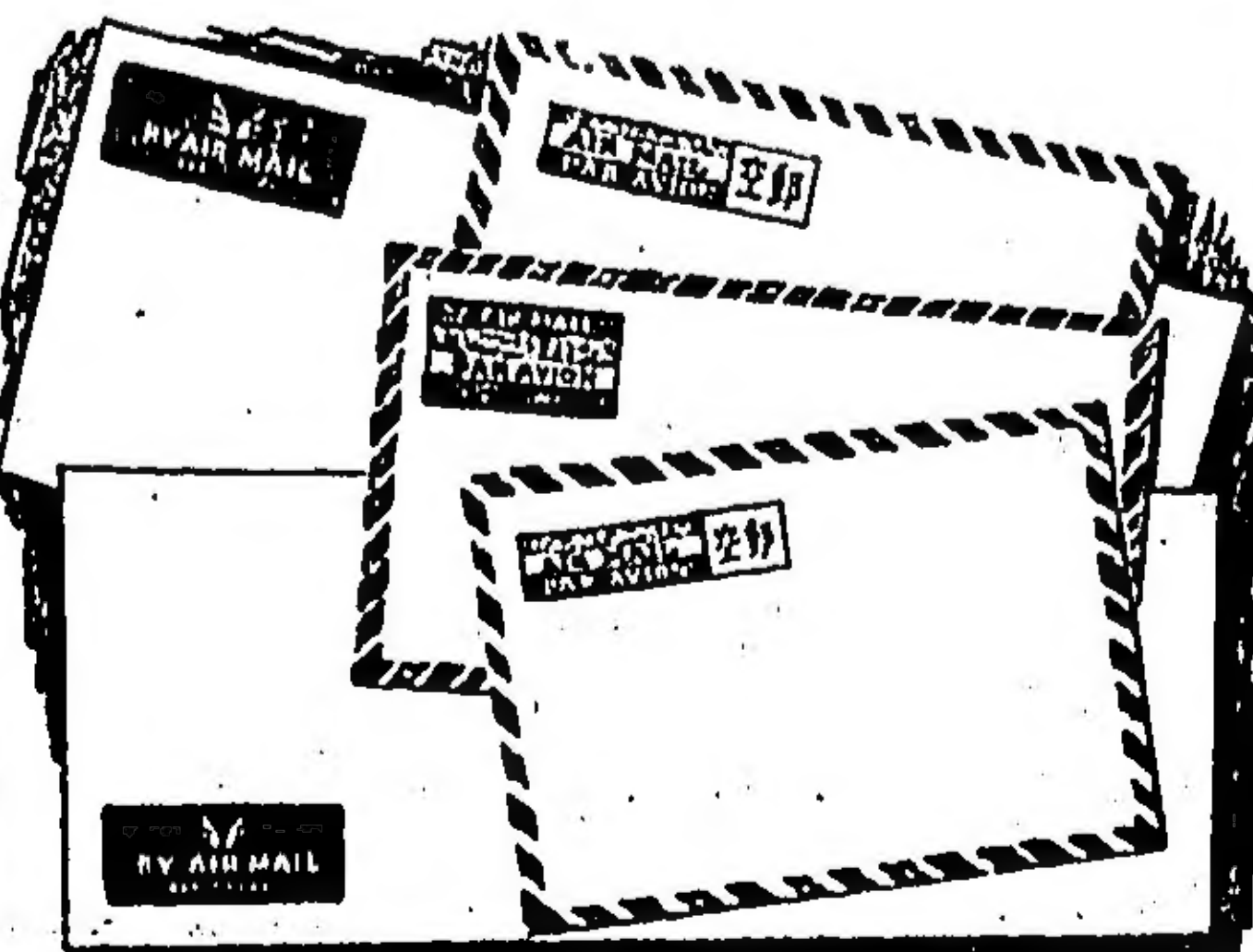
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They Never Come Out of the Dustbins

BRITAIN'S FRENCH FORTNIGHT aided by the 'Waiting for Godot' man brings London's looniest sell-out

By JOHN BARBER

HOW loony can you get? To London comes a play with two crazy characters who spend all their time in dustbins.

They keep pushing up their lids, like jacks-in-the-box, to make quirky remarks. Someone stands by to feed them and change their sand.

The pair are in "Fin de Partie" (End Game) which opens at the Royal Court Theatre. It is on for only six performances. And, just to make sure it will be a sell-out, the whole thing is in French.

And it practically IS a sell-out.

Threats

TO brighten it up, the hero is blind. He is also a cripple, confined to a wheel-chair. But his servant is luckier: he has an alarm clock, and a dog with three legs.

The servant keeps threatening to leave the cripple. Why doesn't he? His master is the only one who knows the combination of a safe which contains food for them all.

Suddenly they get worried about the old girl in the dustbin. She has not bobbed up for a long time.

The servant lifts her lid, and looks in. "She's crying," he says.

"Oh, well, she's alive," says the cripple. It is said to be the funniest line in the play.

Who wrote all this? The Irish-Parisian author of the comic, compelling "Waiting for Godot," Samuel Beckett.

Trousers

THE cripple tells a significant funny story. A



MADNESS WITH THE LID OFF: CHRISTINE TSINGO AND GEORGES ADET (LOOKING LIKE A MANIACAL MR. PUNCH).

man ordered a pair of trousers from a Savile Row tailor. He went back for them in two weeks, but they you 12 months to finish one were too tight. A month later, he went back again. Now they were too long.

It was a year before they were finished. The man trousers.

The play suggests that it is worth while taking pains to perfect human beings—even if the task often looks hopeless.

Which suggests that everything in those dustbins may not be rubbish.

The day I heard the call of the wild

● To emigrate—or to stay in Britain? It's the question agitating thousands of homes. Here is one man's answer.

by ROBERT MORLEY

OH! to be in England now that April's there—wrote the poet. What he wrote after that I have forgotten. Nowadays if he were an Angry Young Poet he would have written OOH! or possibly OUCH!

When I look at the pictures in the Press of enormous happy families sitting around on their suitcases on the quay about to board the ship which will take them away for ever from these shores...when I read the grave pronouncements of politicians about our prospects of economic survival...our inability to compete in world markets...about our crippling taxation...our lack of incentive for the surtax payer...above all our unwillingness to work as hard as the politicians themselves...I am seized with a sense of guilt.

I decide

IT IS THEN that I look at my wife and together we look at the children and I decide that we should emigrate. The boy standing on the burning bridge

has always struck me as being a bit of a halfwit.

Canada is the place, I tell the children, possibly because some of us have already been to Australia. We will all go and live in Canada.

Left alone

You can grow up in a young country, a country of boundless opportunity. There is no nonsense in Canada, nothing to stop you all becoming millionaires, that is if you're prepared to put your backs into it.

You'll have to make new friends of course...go to new schools. The climate is quite different, we shall all enjoy that...very hot in summer, very cold in winter.

I GO ON talking like this for quite a long time until I realise that no one is listening. They've all gone into the other room to watch television.

I am left alone to plan our new life in a brave new land. I pick up the paper and look again at the picture of the family on the quay.

We should never manage to look so confident—for one thing we should certainly have lost some of the suitcases by this time. Besides there are only five of us and our impact on Canada would be a good deal milder.

All the same, five is quite a useful number. The real trouble I suppose is that we're not a very useful family.

We are all quite prepared to start life again and the children are perfectly prepared to become millionaires. Indeed they already imagine themselves to be so. I have never managed to teach them the value of money.

I once bemoaned this fact to a friend who leads an enviable and easy life in the art world. "I shouldn't worry," he told me, "My father brought me up like that and I have had a wonder-

ful time, but when my young brother was born I begged my father to explain to him how important the stuff is and he did it so thoroughly my brother never smiled again."

Comforting perhaps, but not the sort of thing they'll understand in Canada, if we ever get there.

But will we get there? In my family, while we may quite often not want what we know, we seldom if ever know what we want.

The price

A MAN who knows what he wants can always have it. He has only to pay the price, which is sometimes not very clearly marked, and go on wanting it long enough, and one day he will get it. It may take a long time, sometimes a lifetime and often prove disappointing on close inspection, but it is his in the end.

Bought too highly it may ruin the buyer, but if he is lucky enough to get it cheap and early he can have a lot of fun. Unfortunately the world is full of men who bought too dear and destroyed themselves in doing so.

Nowadays the world is full of countries doing much the same

thing. Alone among the nations Great Britain still does not know what she wants. She has tried most things in her long career...known poverty and affluence, tasted triumph and defeat, made many friends and lost them, given to our civilisation, such as it is, conceptions of freedom and democracy and decency it never had before.

She has been guilty of cruelty and oppression and greed, but always she has gone on learning and no one has learned more from her mistakes than she has herself.

That is, I suppose, the real reason why my family at any rate will never really get even as far as the quay. If we have anything in common with the spirit of the country in which we were born it is, I hope, this refusal to get too depressed when things go a little wrong or too excited when they go a little right. My children, like all children, are born optimists; they could never survive childhood otherwise.

Good triumphs

MY WIFE and I, like all parents, want our children to continue to believe in a world in which good triumphs over

You must not expect life to be too easy to start with



evil, in which mankind is prowling wiser and happier through our efforts and eventually through theirs. There are many countries today where the faith of both child and parent must be sorely tested, but ours is not one of them.

In this country we can teach children to be tolerant because on the whole we are fairly tolerant ourselves.

A few of us may still hunt, but very few witch-hunt.

We are wonderfully lucky in our environment. Until you have been abroad it is not easy to realise quite how lucky.

Until you have been roasted in a desert, shaken in an earthquake, blown about in a hurricane, or snapped at by a shark you really cannot appreciate Bognor Regis.

This is a country big enough for every shade of political opinion, for every kind of writer, for all sorts of mischief and nonsense of pomposity and common sense.

Death trap

IT IS a free country with the highest taxes in the world. A welfare state with a death trap at every street corner.

To be bored or unhappy in Great Britain today is to be bored and unhappy with life. Our task is, if you prefer it, our privilege, is to find a pattern of civilisation for ourselves and for the world, and if we fall no one else is likely to succeed. Only the impatient and the foolish would want to emigrate from Great Britain in April 1957. Now is the time to join my family round the television screen.

WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

News In Carpets And Glitter Furnishings

London. THE arrival of spring this year before February was out has started the British housewife on her annual "beat the moth" campaign some weeks earlier than usual.

In Britain, the appearance of the first daffodils in the garden and the blossom on the fruit trees, is always the signal for the annual bout of spring cleaning fever.

For two or three weeks each year, husbands hurry thankfully to the office in the morning, or arrange a business trip away from home, while the house is scoured from attic to cellar. Every nook and cranny, drawer and cupboard, is turned out and strategically "dosed" with some moth repellent insecticide.

This is the time, too, when wives consider it legitimate to make an assault on their husband's bank account to buy new curtains, new carpets, new house covers or anything else needed to smarten up the house before too much sunshine shows up too much shabbiness.

It is of course, no coincidence that carpet fairs, textile displays, ideal home exhibitions and the like are held at this time. This is the opportune moment to catch the housewife at her most vulnerable and bring to her notice a tempting array of new wares and work-saving gadgets.

MOTHPROOF

Among the most important offerings this year are new mothproof and colour fast carpets.

Just a few years ago, carpets were a natural fibre stronghold. Now, man-made fibres are invading this exclusively in a big way, and this year's new models include many made entirely of man-made fibres, such as acrylic, fibroline and even one which is 100 percent nylon.

Random cost is, perhaps, the least of the advantages of man-made fibres for carpets. Hard wearing, resilient, resistant to soiling and virtually undisturbed by the use of spun-dyed yarns, these carpets also have no attraction for moths—a most important consideration where a fitted carpet in a centrally-heated house is concerned.

Most of them, too, are laid in an inexpensive fashion which is then given a latex backing. This adds strength and reduces tendency to slipping. Some even have a foam rubber backing.

One of the newest developments in these man-made fibre floor coverings is a Kosset "Shaggy Dog" rug, featuring a long Indian-type pile. Made of 100 percent viscose, tufted and backed with latex, this rug has all the softness of the conventional wool rug but is also mothproof for life and

easily sponged. In off-white, it tones with any colour scheme and is particularly recommended for the nursery because it cleans so easily.

The same firm has also launched a new all-purpose 100 percent viscose carpet with a dense, cut pile and great resilience. Although made only in plain shades, which include crimson, blueberry, willow and coral, this carpet is resistant to track marks, as well as being mothproof and easy to clean.

DO IT YOURSELF

"Do it Yourself" advisers will welcome the new Raymar Carpet, introduced by the manufacturers of the already well-known Raymar and Velmar carpets. The idea is that you can build your carpet to your own pattern and in the colour combination of your choice with either 18-inch or 12-inch square tiles made of Raymar needleloom carpet.

The tiles, made in twelve popular colours, are nylon reinforced, mothproof and damp resisting. Rubber backing makes the use of underfelt unnecessary, provides heat insulation and excludes draughts.

The tiles can be stuck direct to the floor or, if the carpet needs to be movable, to a special paper backing.

Any tile which is damaged by removable stains or burns, for example, can be taken up and replaced without affecting the whole carpet.

To help prospective buyers to plan their colour schemes, this firm issues "Colour-it-yourself" charts for dining room, lounge and bedroom, on which the floor is squared. In this way, the purchaser can work out patterns which apparently lengthen or shorten the room, lead the eye to a desired focal point, or demarcate various areas in a multi-purpose room.

NON-TARNISHABLE

In the realm of more conventional carpets, manufacturers are making a determined effort to meet critics in of overlong delivery delays. The "by-return-cut-length" system which some manufacturers operate in co-operation with retailers in Britain has now been extended to 10 to 12 hours on the continent. In the latter part of February, an order for nine carpet squares of "Wessex" in a room in Winton, ordered by a firm in Stockholm from a firm at Kildermister one Thursday evening, reached the Swedish capital by mid-afternoon on Sunday.

However, can have as much gilt as all of it untarnishable as they wish. Silver, gold and coloured Lurex metallic thread can be had in everything, from the curtains and room-terrylene window coverings to the bedspread and the silver-down, from the tapes on the new plastic Venetian blinds to the bath mat and the towels.

There are table mats with gold, silver and coloured Lurex threads handwoven by Swedish folk weavers and elaborately embroidered table cloths and table centres from Portugal.

NEW DUSTER

Even the kitchen glass cloths can glitter with gold and silver, or red and green and blue, these days. What is more, in addition to being untarnishable even in the damp heat of the bathroom, this new glitter thread can be boiled again and again without ill effect.

A small, but not insignificant, aid to the housewife's spring cleaning in 1957 is a new duster which ensures that the gleam of wood, metal, and paint in the home shines, the glitter of metallic thread in the soft furnishings. It is a new Goddard silicone polishing cloth, the counterpart of the traditional one impregnated with silver polish. The new cloth looks like a duster and is used like a duster. But as it passes it leaves a thin film of silicone on the surface of whatever object it touches.

It can be used to polish metal, glass, leather, porcelain, and plastic ware as well as wood, and is just as good for the car as for objects in the house.

And if the car is to be included in the spring cleaning operation there is an attractive rubberised viscose cloth with Lurex interwoven, designed especially for its upholstery. Another new cloth designed for the same purpose is a bold check with foam rubber backing.—China Mail Special.

KATEY ROOSEVELT looks forward to the coming season with apprehension...

Oh glory, those shy Englishmen!

TEN minutes late, but with a completely disarming smile, the late Franklin D. Roosevelt's granddaughter breezed into the stately Blue Room at Winfield House, Regent's Park, with an outstretched hand.

"I'm Katey Roosevelt," she said. I knew she was. But 21-year-old Katey, slim, brown-haired step-daughter of Mr. Whitney, recently appointed Ambassador to the Court of St. James, is used to making her own introductions. And, after a month in London, the girl tipped to be the hit of the season just beginning now, is still finding it difficult to acclimatise herself to the chilling ceremony that the polite Briton insists on.

SHE GRINNED

"Guess I'll have to get used to the idea of not speaking until I'm spoken to," she grinned. "Back home in New York it's the most natural thing in the world to go up to anybody who looks interesting at a party, tell them who you are—and ask them who they are. But I've gotten me a lot of odd looks in London."

Katey has a big social round ahead of her in which she will need to mix diplomacy with charm. Her mother, former wife of James, FDR's eldest son, is recovering from an illness. And Katey, who has one married sister, Sara, is determined to do her best as "a sort of mother's help—unpaid, uninsured—and a little inexperienced."

It will mean playing her part at a lot of "At Homes"—and Ambassadorial return matches. But not too exuberant a part.

Would her hobbies give her subjects for making polite English conversation? I asked. "Well, let me see, there's riding and tennis and photography and shooting."

A POT-SHOT

"Shooting?" I queried, with a quick picture of Katey whirling a cine-camera.

"Yes, you know." She took an imaginary pot-shot at a candelabra. "Bang, bang, BANG. I've done a lot of shooting down in Georgia."

She has other ambitions. "If I ever get the chance of a working permit in England," First, she'd like a spell in a day nursery—"I just adore children." Then another shot as a finger-in-all-pies associate TV producer—a job she tackled for a New York TV programme.

Katey was in strictly off-duty dress—bright red corduroy skirt, blue and red sweater and blue moccasins "flaties." An inconspicuously vibrant figure against the spacious elegance of a room whose lofty French windows look out on sloping tree-ringed lawns and a host of dancing daffodils.

PUZZLED

"They call it the Blue Room—but you'll notice it's really pole green," said Katey, with the puzzled frown of someone still getting used to the idea of a subway being a tube, an elevator a lift and a drugstore—non-existent.

I asked Katey to be frank about her first impressions of London life. "Oh glory," she said (her favourite expression). "I'm supposed to be diplomatic



Katey Roosevelt

Why WON'T they talk about themselves?

by LISA MOYNIHAN

But she had this to say about:

THE ENGLISH MALE: "They aren't natural conversationalists. A bit shy, I guess. The number of times I've been asked 'Are you enjoying life in London?' and I've said 'Yes, and they've said, 'I'm so glad.' And when I ask a man what he does for a living I never seem to get a straight answer. At parties back home you soon know who's who and what they do."

DATING: "It's so much less spontaneous in England. At home it's kinda casual. A buddy rings and you may meet for a start in a drugstore and decide to do a show or a movie on the spur of the moment. In London it's all planned way ahead. And you're really supposed to be punctual. Eight o'clock for dinner means that. Nobody would think it

specially rude if I'd turn up half an hour later in New York. It's roughly a 45-minute deadline after the time they ask you to a meal."

LONG GOWNS

DRESS: "I can't get used to long gowns at dinner parties. And the garden parties I'll probably be going to! We've nothing like them. Most suitable dress in my wardrobe for them is the bridesmaid's dress I wore to Sara's wedding. Guess that'll have to do."

A clock chimed like a diplomatic cough. Katey glanced at her watch. "Oh glory, I'm going to be late," she exclaimed. I half-remembered her to the imposing front door under the raised eyebrow of a passing footman. Then she was streaking above stairs. "I could imagine how her grandfather's eyes would have twinkled after her. And whoever she was about to keep waiting would, I am sure, be dismayed by a girlish smile and an explanatory, 'I'm Katey Roosevelt.'"

London Express Service.

Favourite Spring Ensembles

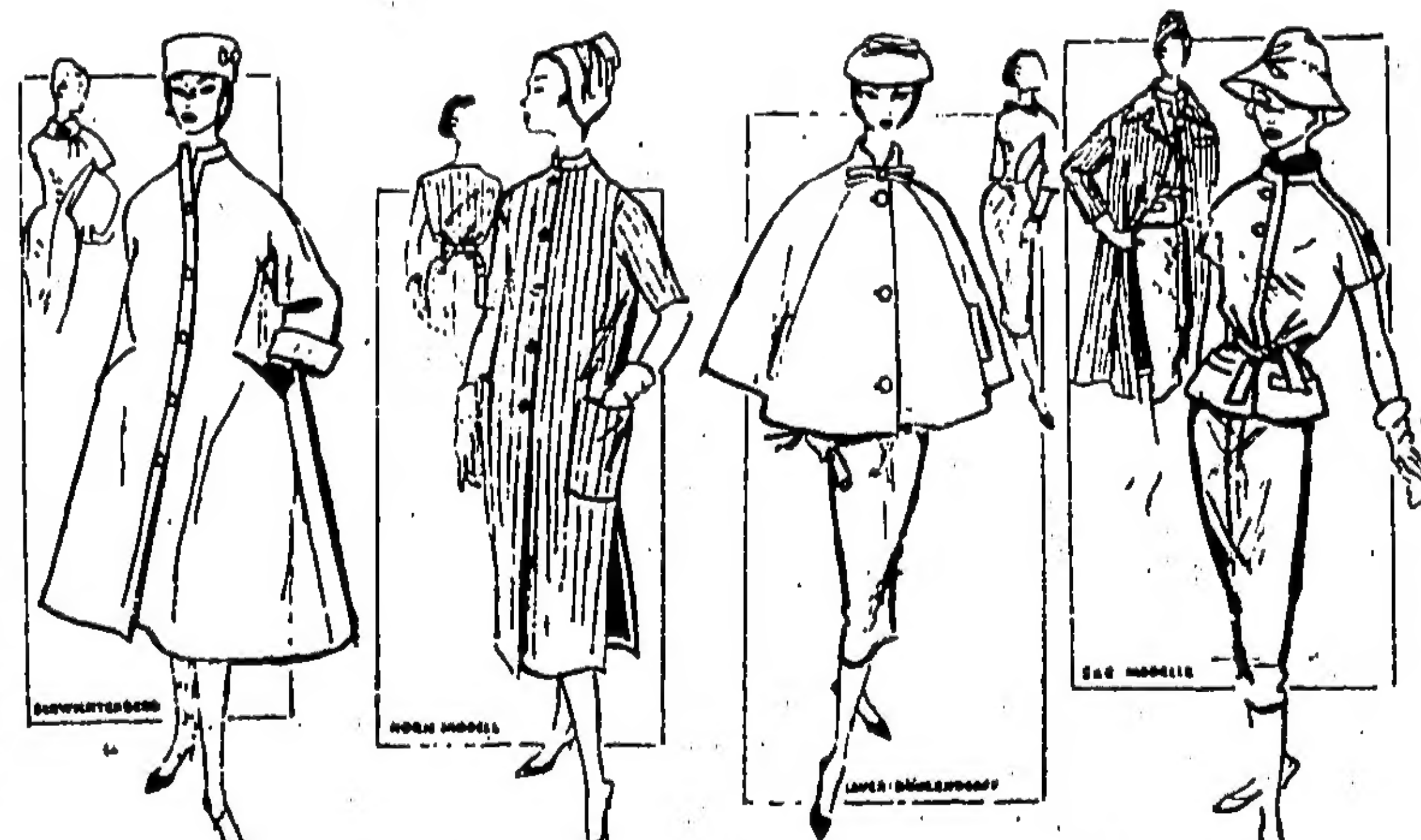
By MAGDA MEYER

IT seems that the ensemble has secured a permanent niche for itself in German fashion. Promoted by the couturiers for several seasons, ensembles have been popularised and are now available at prices which the average woman can afford.

The most widely-favoured form for an ensemble is a slim dress and a matching coat; the latter can be of varying length. It is upon this form the wholesale manufacturers are concentrating. Wide use is made of wool fabrics and simplicity is the keynote of styling. Trimmings are kept to a minimum to allow full emphasis to be placed on the matching, all-of-a-piece effect.

The couturiers, too, continue to favour the ensemble this season. The favourite style for dresses in these ensembles is simple and attractive, embracing a square, round or V-shaped neckline, slightly bloused bodice falling softly over the belt and a skirt with its greatest fullness at the hipline that gradually decreases towards the hem.

The Dutch skirt, introduced by Christian Dior last season is much favoured by the German couturiers. Draped from immediately below the waistline



SCHWICHTENBERG: Featuring the trumpet line is this coat of marine blue fleecy wool with a mandarin neckline. It is worn over a slender-skirted, Princess-line dress in the same colour but of a lighter weight wool. The dress has short sleeves and a draped neckline which is cut in one with the bodice of the dress. HOEN MODELL: Very simple and very chic is this dress and coat ensemble of striped flannel. The only trimming on the sleeveless dress, dress and coat ensemble of striped flannel. The only trimming on the sleeveless dress, left hip. The coat, which is equally severe in cut, features a mandarin collar, short sleeves, a slit up each side seam and a patch pocket on each hip. LAUER-BOHLENDORFF: Here a slender, three-quarter-sleeved dress has a narrow bow that trims the neck and a panel at the centre front of the bodice buttoning on to the top of the skirt. The cape is wide and full and fastens to the neck. S. & E. MODELL: Janine and youthful is this suit and coat ensemble. The suit has a slender skirt and short-sleeved jacket lined in at the waist by a fitted belt. In white wool, it features much double peaking detail. It is worn with a loose-fitting coat of crisp-handling wool, rally striped red, white and blue.

at the front, it hangs in soft folds which taper off and disappear at knee-height.

Now that the waist has returned to its natural position, bolts again play an important role, particularly on suits. Very smart and youthful are slim-fitted suits with jackets featuring very short peplums and held in at the waist by a leather or self-fabric belt.

The cape, which was so popular in Germany last season, has not disappeared with the warm weather. Being both elegant and practical, it is often used with a dress to form an

ensemble. It is fastened or just full but tapered in towards the cuffs or the shoulders and it hem.

There is no specific line for important part in ensembles. The various items comprising the ensemble are sometimes in exactly the same colour and fabric, but more designers favour more ingenious combinations. Endless possibilities on this theme present themselves—fabrics in different tones of the same colour, large and small versions of the same check, plain and patterned fabrics having a common colour, different weights of the same fabric, draped—very wide and

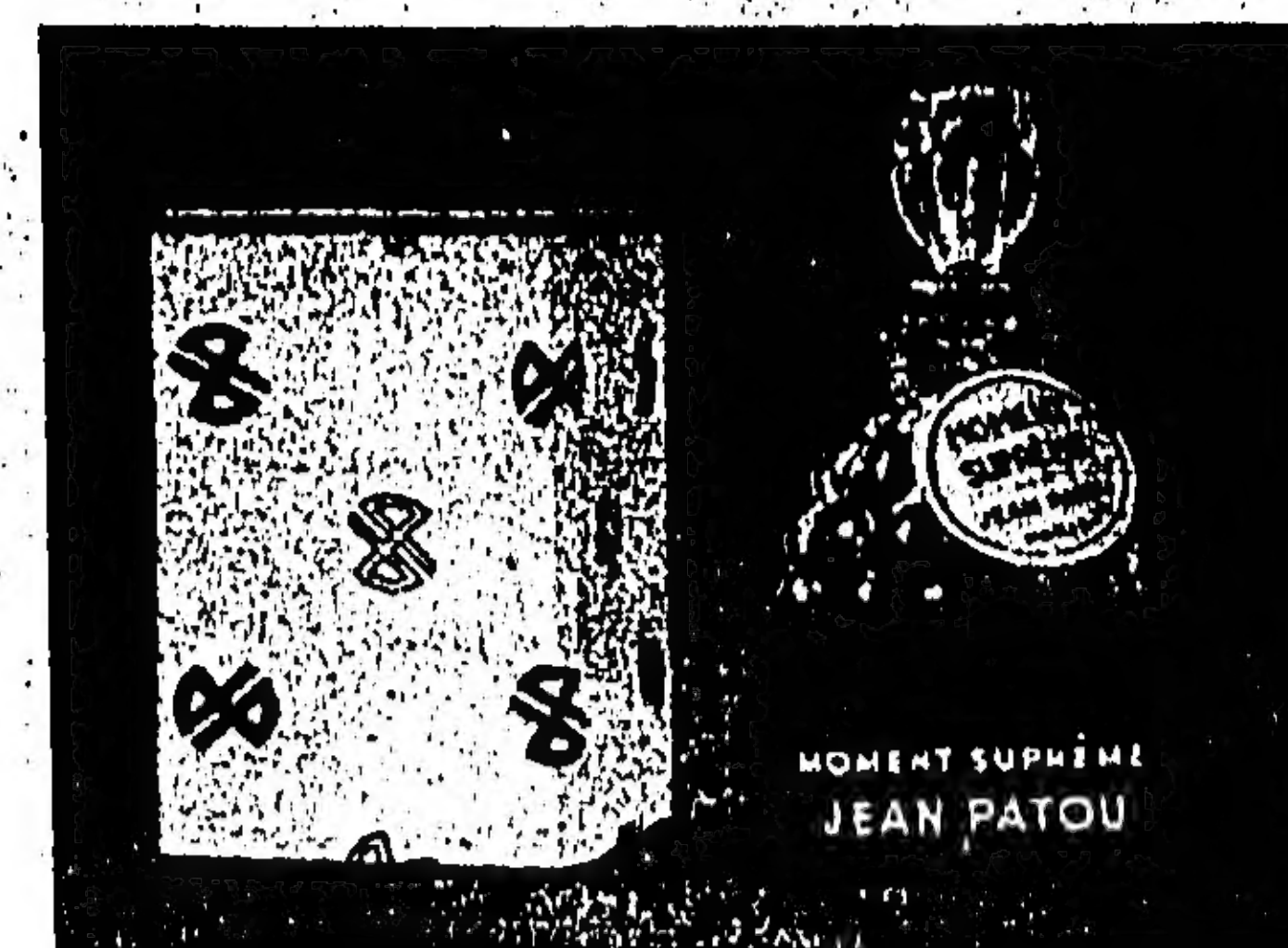
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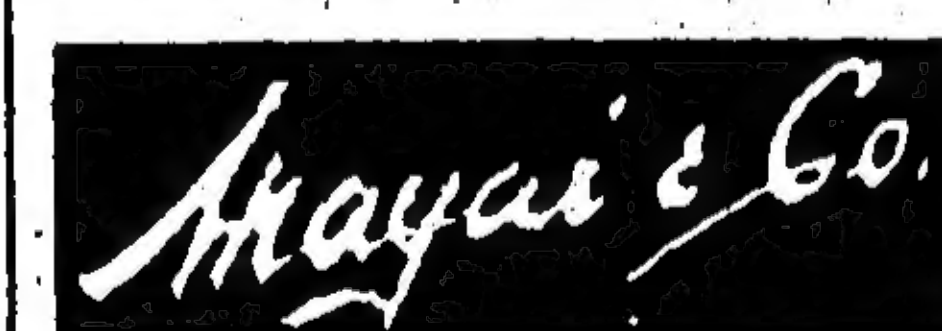
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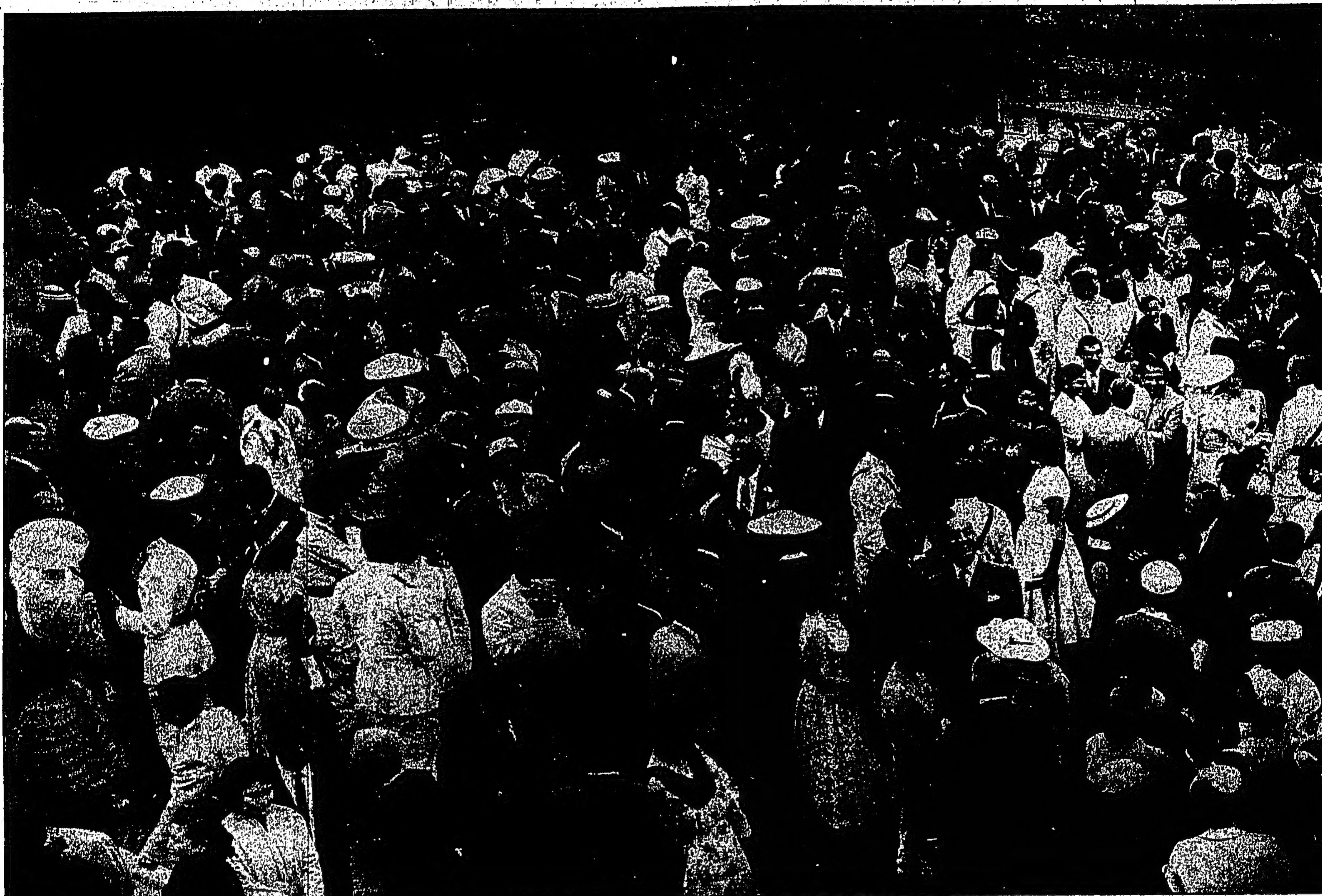
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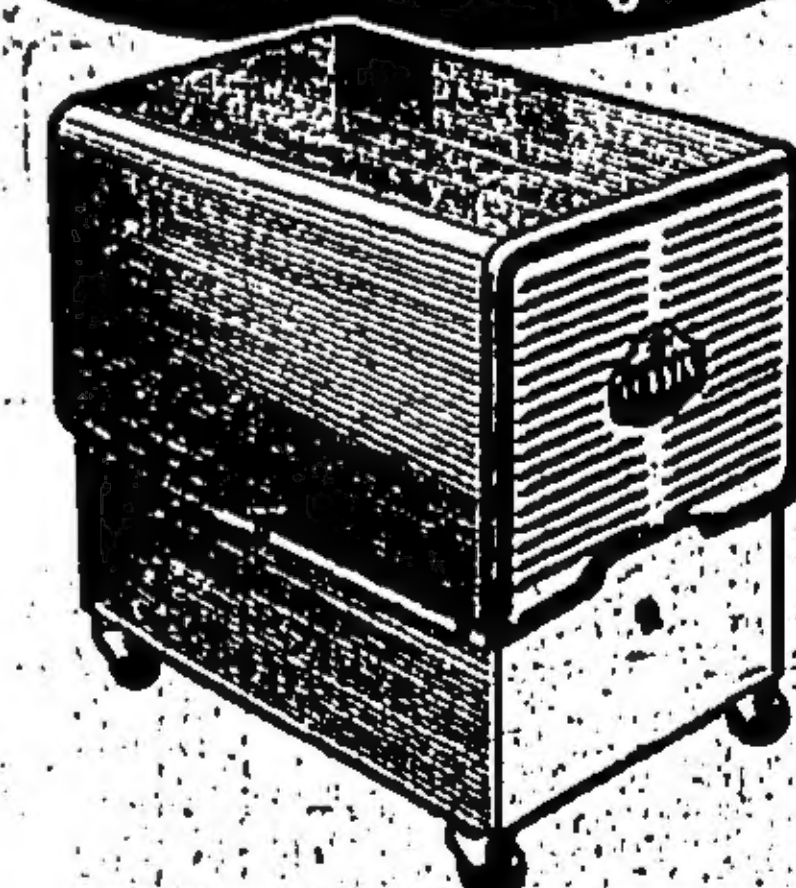
The "bubble" line is apparent on this afternoon dress in a very sheer serge in a lovely shade of coral. It has a high-necked, plain top. — From Jacques Heim.



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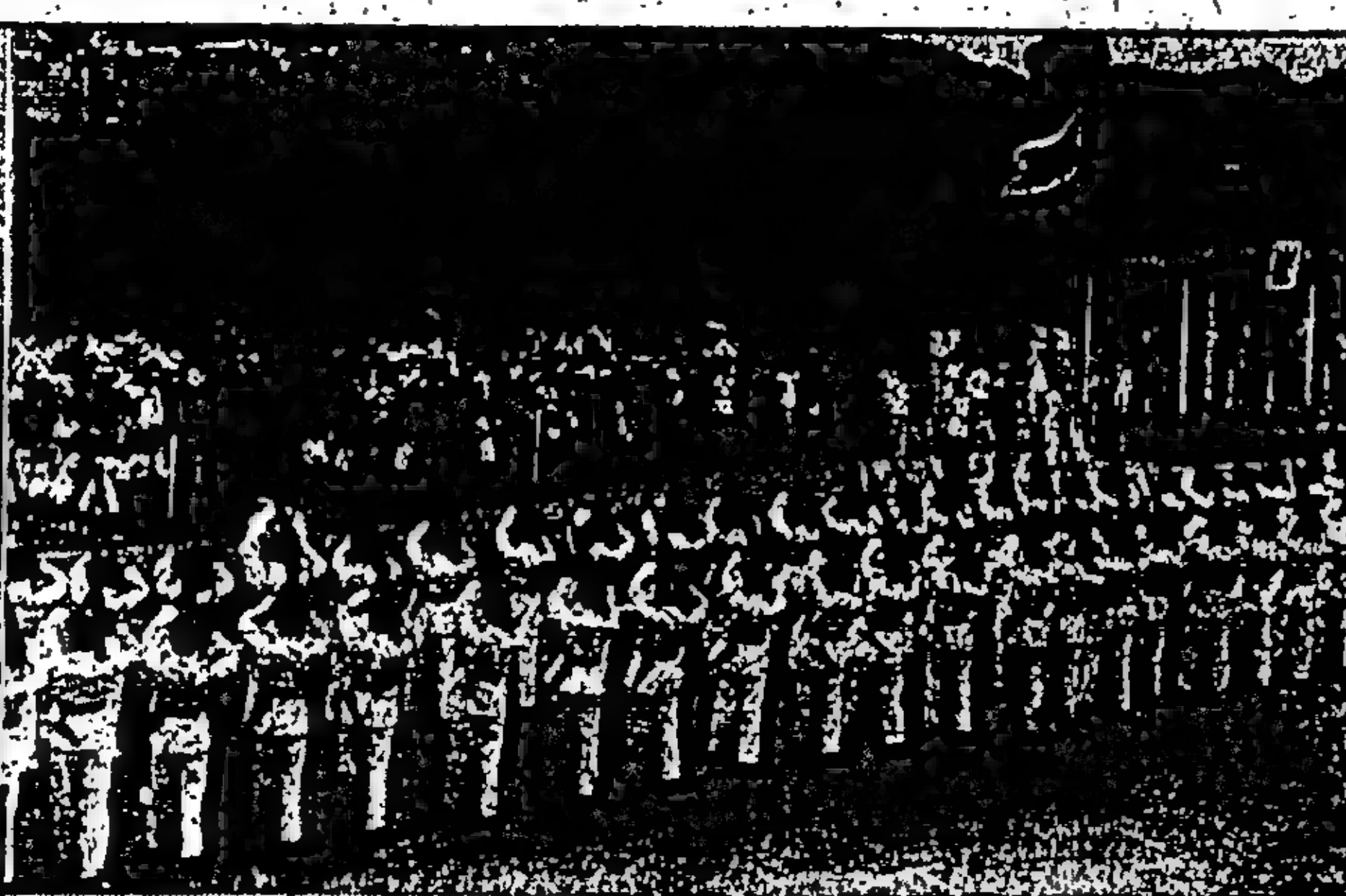
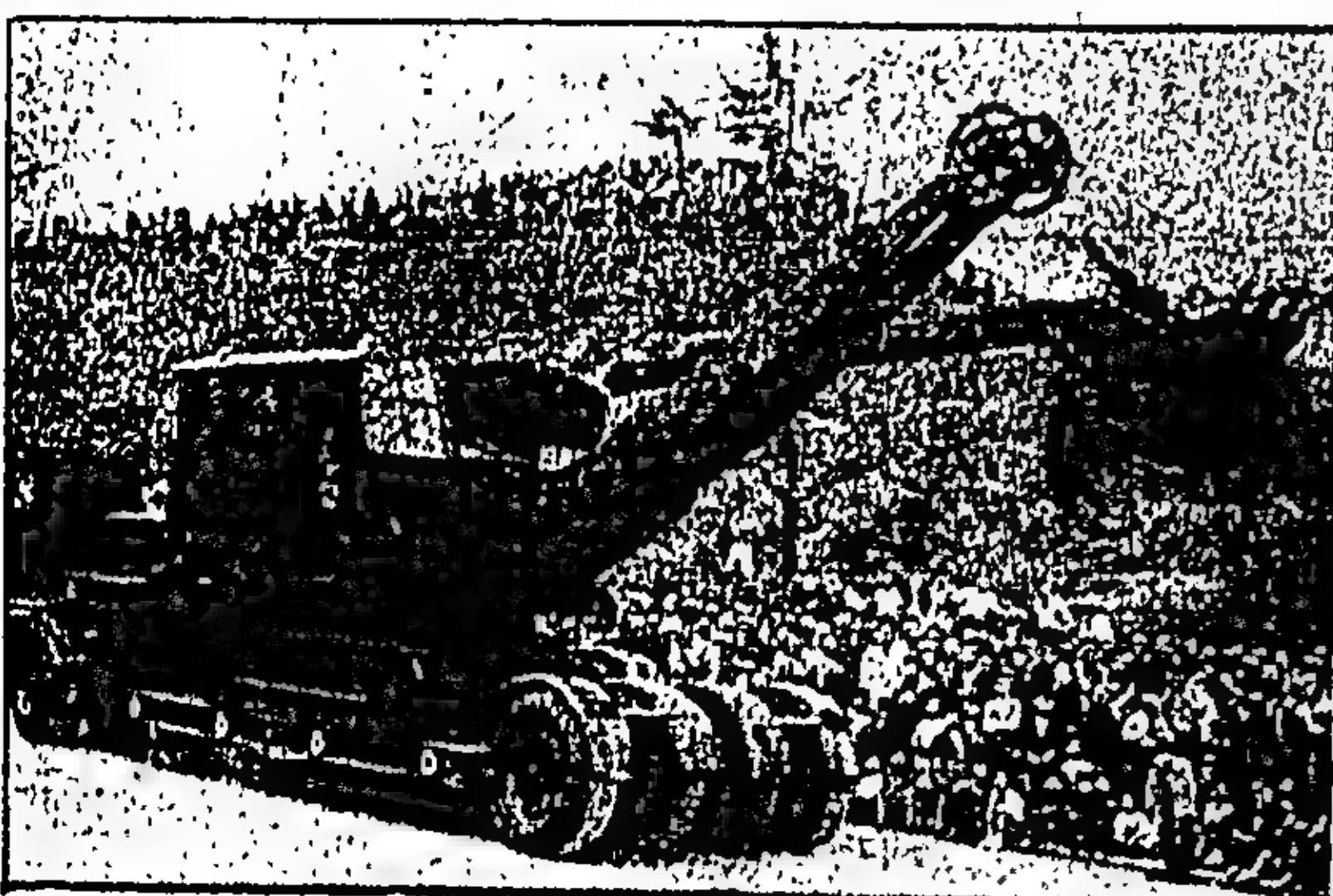
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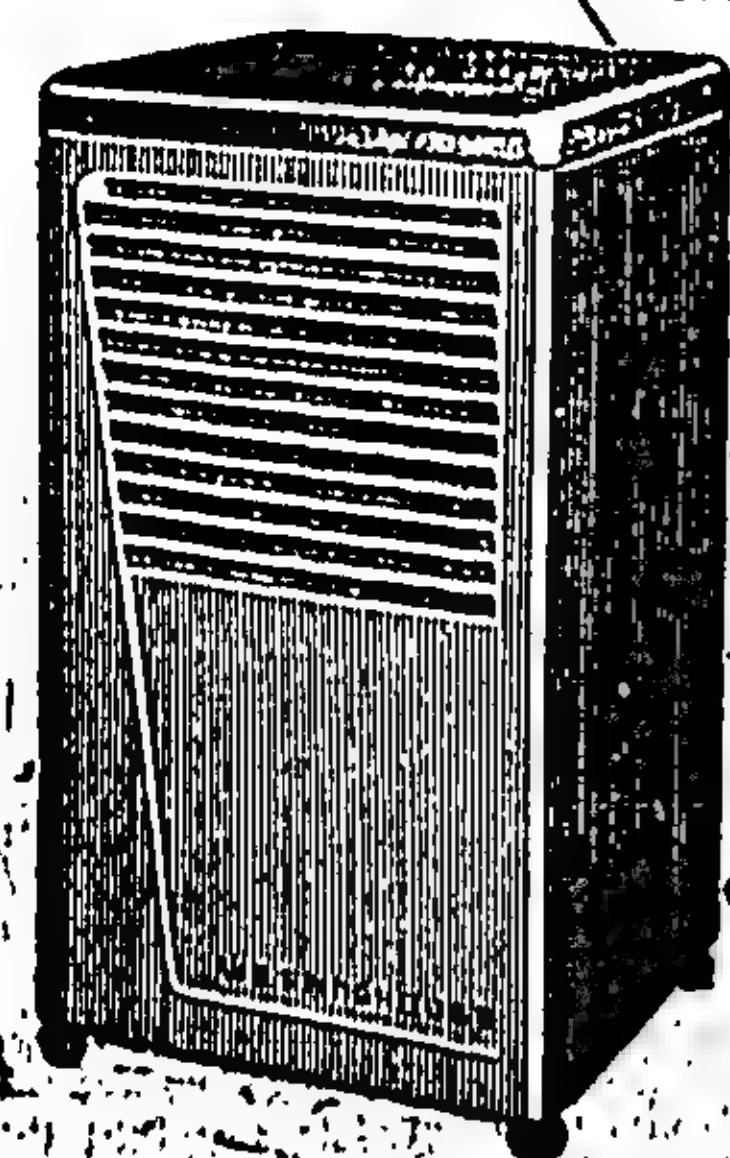
An old timer muttered as he squeezed among 4,500 invited guests at the Queen's Birthday garden party on the lawns of Government House. "When I first attended one of these affairs in 1913 there can't have been more than 400 people at 'em. You fellows (the CHINA MAIL) used to publish all the names in half a column next day."

Above (both pages) the crowd is beginning to thin. We can't pick out all the names as we used to—but here's a few to start with: the Noybargs, Sir William and Lady Stratton, the Kwok Chans, the Adarkers, His Excellency the Governor Sir Alexander, and Lady Grantham, Father Charles Yeth.

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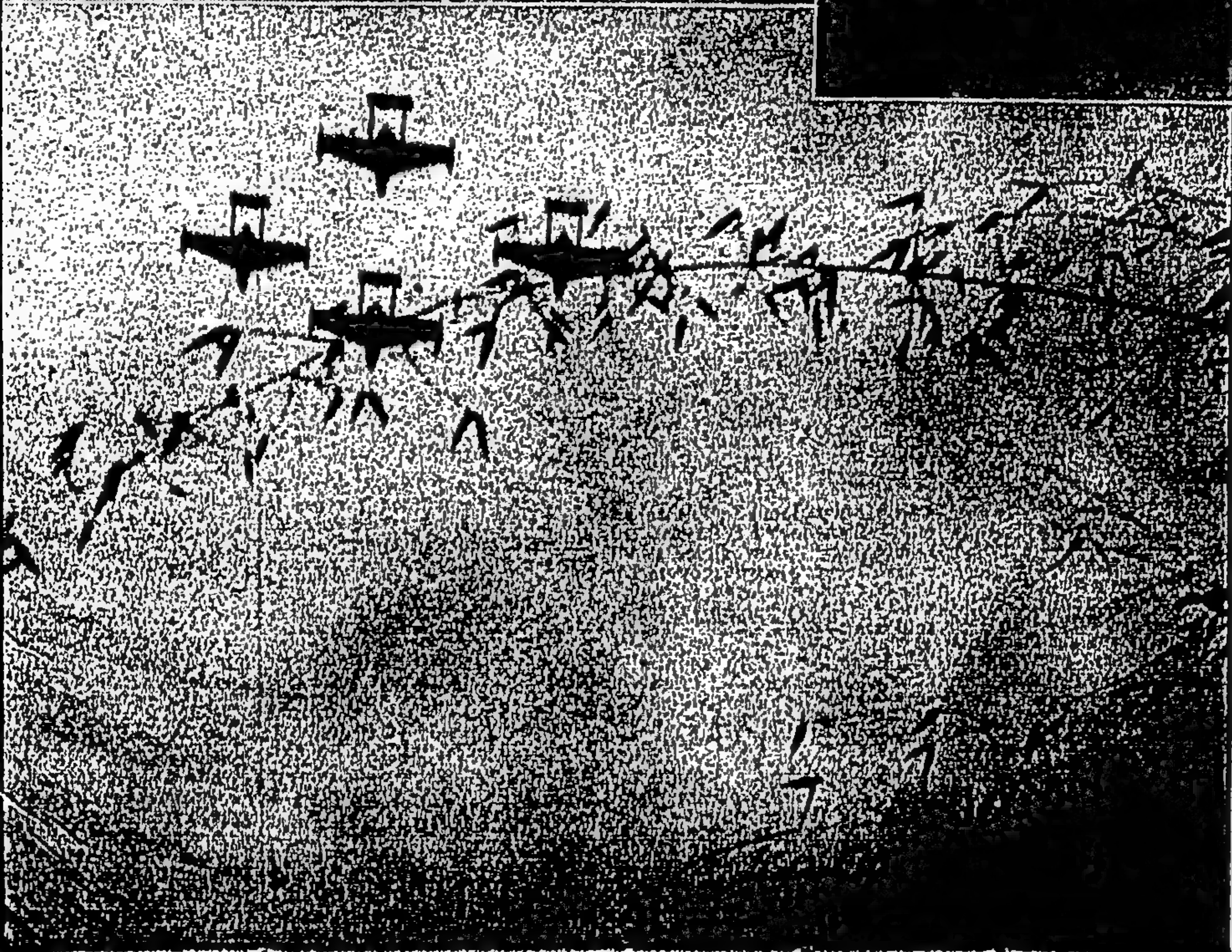


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Crowds are beginning to thin on the lawns of Government House as new hats and the summer's fashion join in "the day of parades." The Queen's Birthday was a day of excitement. It began before dawn when tanks warmed up their engines and rumbled out to "form-up" areas in Kowloon. At its climax a 21-gun salute by the 19th Field Regiment, interspersed with fusillades of Feu-de-Joie fired by the 1st Bn. Green Howards, greeted the breaking of the Royal Standard; and the Governor took the salute at a march past by 2,000 men, and by equipment that varied from the swift (near obsolete) Venoms of No. 28 Squadron, to the (probably never will be obsolete) equipments of the Royal Engineers. (Staff Photographers)

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THE PLOT TO WRECK A GREAT NEW SOURCE OF OIL

by SEFTON DELMER: Rabat, Morocco.

BEFORE me, as I dictate, lies the most astounding, the most naive, and the most alarming map I have seen since Hitler drew his for what was to be the new German-ruled world.

The map was handed to me by the man who hopes to become the Hitler of North Africa, Allal el Fassi, the Cairo-trained leader of new independent Morocco's ruling Istiqlal party.

As I gazed at the map in amazement Allal chuckled in enjoyment.

"Yes," he declared, "all this is Morocco, all this territory, and the land swept over the map, what is now described as part of French West Africa, Algeria, and the Spanish Rio di Oro."

"Yes, yes, yes," he nodded his pale, beard-fringed head so that I almost expected his grey freedom cap to tumble off.

"Yes, it always was part of Morocco, or if you prefer, Morocco was part of it. This is stolen territory and must be restored to us, right down to the Senegal River!"

Now come pundits in Whitehall, I have no doubt, will want to dismiss Allal el Fassi's claim as the unimportant fantasy of a fanatical demagogue.

Please do not let them deceive you. This Moroccan claim to the Western Sahara is a bold move by the Afro-Asian Bloc and their Soviet anti-colonialist backers.

It is part of a plan to wreck the magnificent work which the French are doing in the Sahara Desert to develop the newly discovered mineral and oil resources of this vast area.

The stones and desert scrub which only five years ago did little more than provide a handful of nomad tribes with the most meagre grazing for their herds now holds out hope of providing Europe with 50,000,000 tons of oil a year in 10 years' time.

Masterly

WHEN fully prospected it may well turn out, so leading oil experts reckon, to be the richest oil and natural gas reservoir in the world, capable of supplying the whole of Europe with the fuels its industries need so badly.

But if it falls into the hands of the Moroccans, with their unpredictable emotional qualities, it is doubtful whether it will ever be developed.

As usual, the Afro-Asians and their local satellites are setting about their task with masterly diplomacy.

The have already won several tricks in the game on my score card — and that does not include the war that is now being fought in the coastlands of Algeria, through which many of the Saharan pipelines would have to pass in order to get to the Mediterranean.

1 UNITS of the Istiqlal-led "liberation army" have

been sent down from North Morocco into the French-held Mauritania to raid French posts there and raise the tribes against the French.

When the French protest the Istiqlal Ministers shrug their shoulders and say: "How can we be responsible for what goes on down there when we do not know what the frontier is supposed to be?"

As a result the French have now agreed to set up in urgency a frontier commission which will give the Moroccan Government a chance to make an international issue out of their claim to the territory now recognised internationally as a French possession.

2 THEY are seeking to play off the Spaniards against the French, buying Spanish recognition of Moroccan claims to the Rio di Oro with economic and financial concessions throughout the rest of Morocco.

The Spaniards have assured the French that they will stand firm against Moroccan pressure. But I wonder. Already the Spaniards are allowing bands of Moroccan liberation raiders to use the Rio di Oro as a base for their raids into French Mauritania.

3 THE MOROCCAN Government is shrewdly going all out to exploit

the commercial ambitions of non-French and non-colonial oil men and industrialists.

It suggests that if the Sahara were handed over to the Moroccan Government, the Moroccans would be only too happy to share the exploitation of its resources with foreign-owned companies.

"The exploitation of Saharan wealth," I was assured again and again by Ministers with whom I spoke, "is for us an entirely separate question from that of sovereignty over it."

"Sovereignty over the Moroccan Sahara we claim for his Majesty the Sultan. But we are fully aware that to develop its treasures in oil and minerals needs money and machinery far beyond the resources of any single Power. Neither the French nor ourselves could do it on our own. What is needed is an international consortium, in which we, of course, would be partners."

Allal el Fassi told me that he too accepts this promise and guarantees it.

For America

THIS international consortium built is, of course, mainly intended for the American oil men, anxious to preserve their monopoly from the serious challenge which the Sahara might become.

The Moroccans also hope for German interest. So far, however, I can find little sign that either the American or the German industrialists (foremost among them the pipe manufacturers who would hope to get big contracts for the Sahara pipelines) have seriously nibbled in the way the Moroccans would like them to.

Frenchmen point to the greatly increased staff at the American consulate in Algiers — more than 50 of them, they say — who are watching most carefully not only the developments in the rebellion against French power there but for French dis-

Israel's Border — Tulkarem

Tulkarem, Israel. ISRAEL'S green beretted men of the Border Patrol can best be compared to the Texas Rangers or the Indian fighters of America's Wild West of a century ago.

Israel's 501 miles of frontier has no natural barriers — no rivers, mountain ranges, or deserts to keep out raiders bent on robbery or murder. To patrol this frontier, Israel maintains a special force which patrols the rocky hillside and sandy river beds in jeeps and on foot.

Armed with rifles, grenades, gas guns, and machine guns, and equipped with radio, these men might be in wait to intercept marauders from across the border. When suspicious shadows are discovered lurking in orange groves or silencing along outside border villages, the men of the Israel Border Police are called in to investigate at once.

The officers of the Border Police co-operate with local village guards in trying to make the country safe against Arab guerrillas from the neighbouring states. In the event of a guerrilla attack which may be in the form of a grenade thrown into the bedroom of a house, or a water pipeline blown up, or a bus machine gunned from ambush, the men of the Border Police attempt to seal off and comb the area in which the incident occurred. They have their own experienced trackers reminiscent of the Indian scouts of the American plains.

The trackers usually have the same story to relate—the tracks of so many persons wearing sneakers leading to the border—and that's as far as the Israeli police can go.

Now and then, the members of the Border Police walk into an ambush laid by the other side—then stabbing flashes of gunfire in the darkness decide who withdraws first with his dead and wounded.

Back biting

The men in the Border Police do not get rich. A private received a take-home pay of IL200—\$100.00 a month. This is about what an office messenger receives.

Now, in the wake of the bitter attacks appearing in the Israeli press against the Border Police in connection with the Kafr Kasim killings of October 29, 1956, the men of this special unit are asking, "Doesn't anyone remember any of the good things about us?"

Leading the attacks against the Border Police are the Communists. They are accused of exploiting the incident in which 47 persons — men, women, and children were shot to death by the Border Patrolmen following alleged opposition to the Israeli military government in Arab villages in border areas.

On Monday, October 29, Israel was under arms preparing to strike at Egypt, Syria and Jordan. "Egypt's military

allies" were being watched for possible counter-attack. They pinned down a considerable number of Israel's armed forces and kept them away from the main front with the Egyptians.

Anticipating fighting on the 300-mile Jordan border, the Israel security forces issued an order decreeing a curfew from 5 p.m. to 6 a.m. in a number of Arab villages close to the frontier. Units of the Border Patrol were charged with the implementation and supervision of the curfew. The villagers generally complied with the curfew regulations.

But those villagers from Kafr Kasim working in olive and orange groves, or in quarries some distance from their village had no beard of the curfew regulations. They came home individually and in groups and walked right into withering automatic weapons aimed at them by Border Patrolmen.

A mistake

Twenty-six-year-old Asad Selim Issa who was wounded in both legs tells of the shooting this way, "Seven of my friends and I were cycling home from work in the orange groves at Petah Tikva. We rode up the hill to our village which lies a third of a mile from the Jordan border. A Border Patrolman was standing near the entrance to the village and conversing with four young men of our village. He stopped us. He asked us if we were from Kafr Kasim."

"Then, fire was opened on us," the villager concluded, describing how he was later taken to hospital.

Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion appointed an inquiry committee which established what had happened at Kafr Kasim. Also the degree of responsibility of the Border Police personnel and whether they should be tried, and compensation paid to the families concerned.

Eleven members of the Border Patrol including the Commander of the Unit were arrested and charged with premeditated murder on 47 counts. An army patrol which had arrived on the spot shortly after the shooting took over and collected all the details of the incident which it later supplied to the inquiry committee. The Border Patrol Unit was replaced at once by an army unit.

The inquiry committee at once submitted its report to the government and it was decided to make an immediate advance payment of IL1,000—to every family which had suffered. The Minister of Police Behor Shitreet came to the village right after the incident and expressed horror on his own behalf and on behalf of the government over what had happened. Compensation up to IL5,000—was paid out to families affected. The Israeli Knesset rose in silence to pay tribute to the victims.

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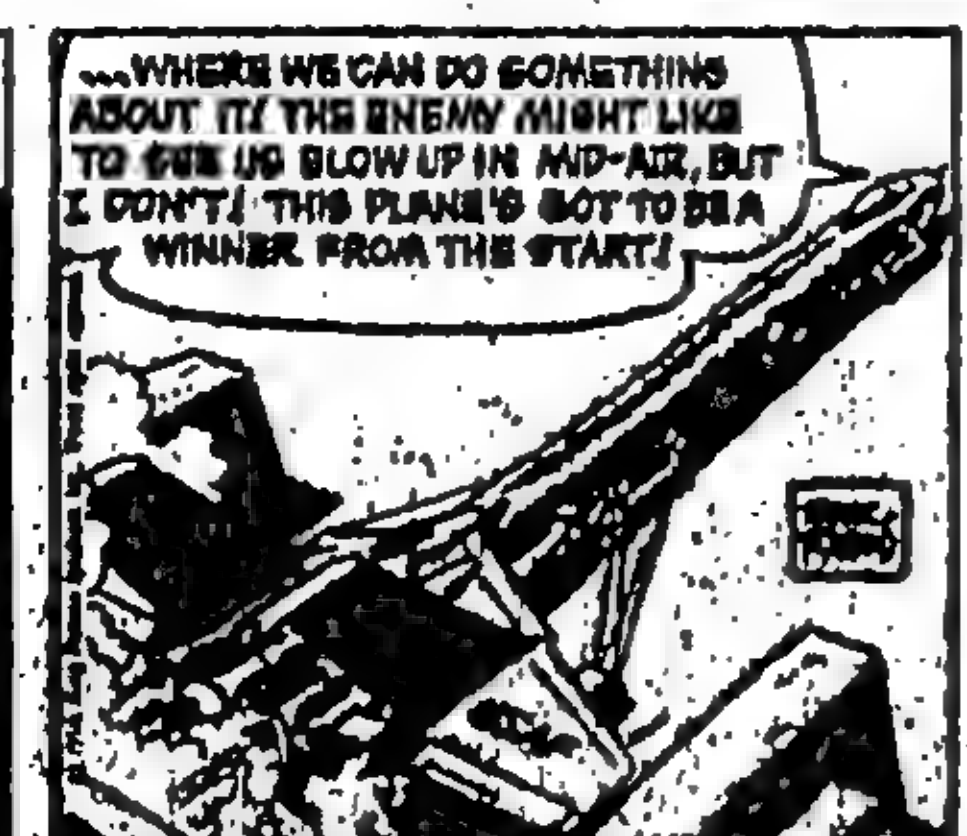
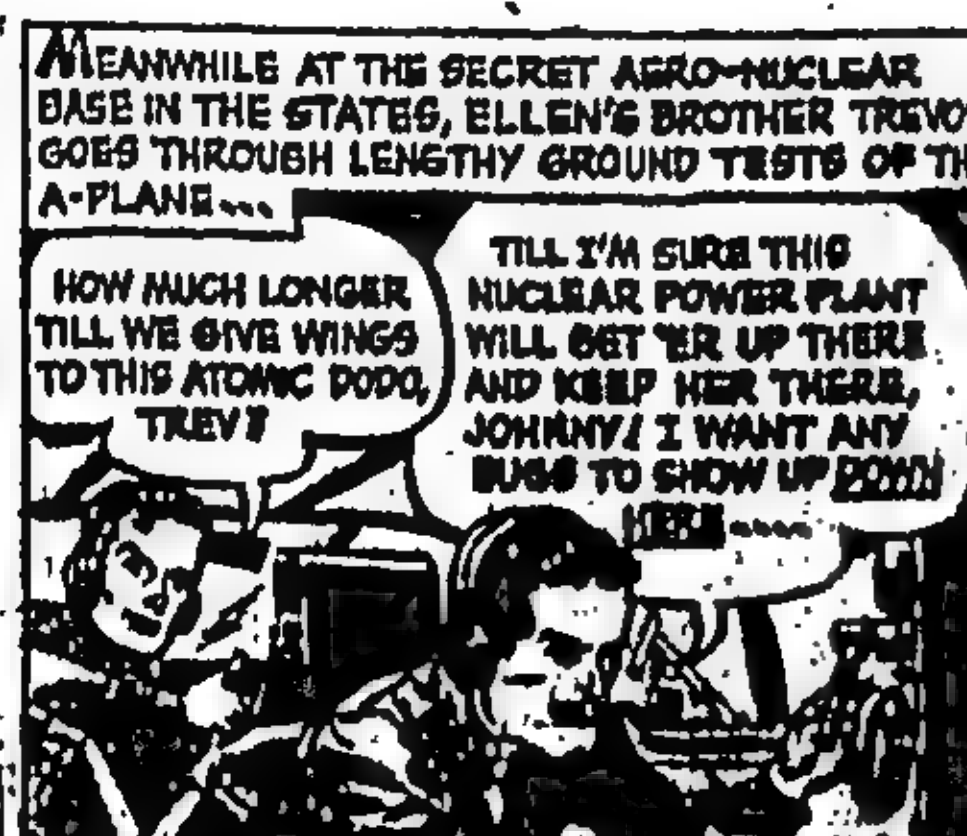
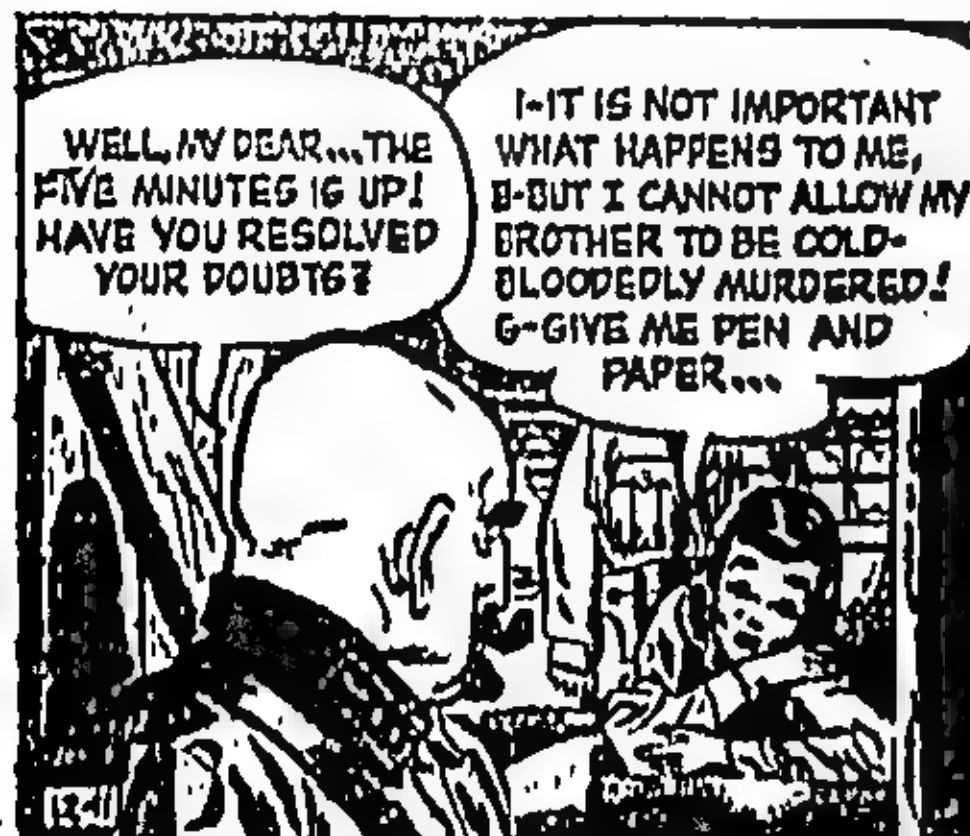
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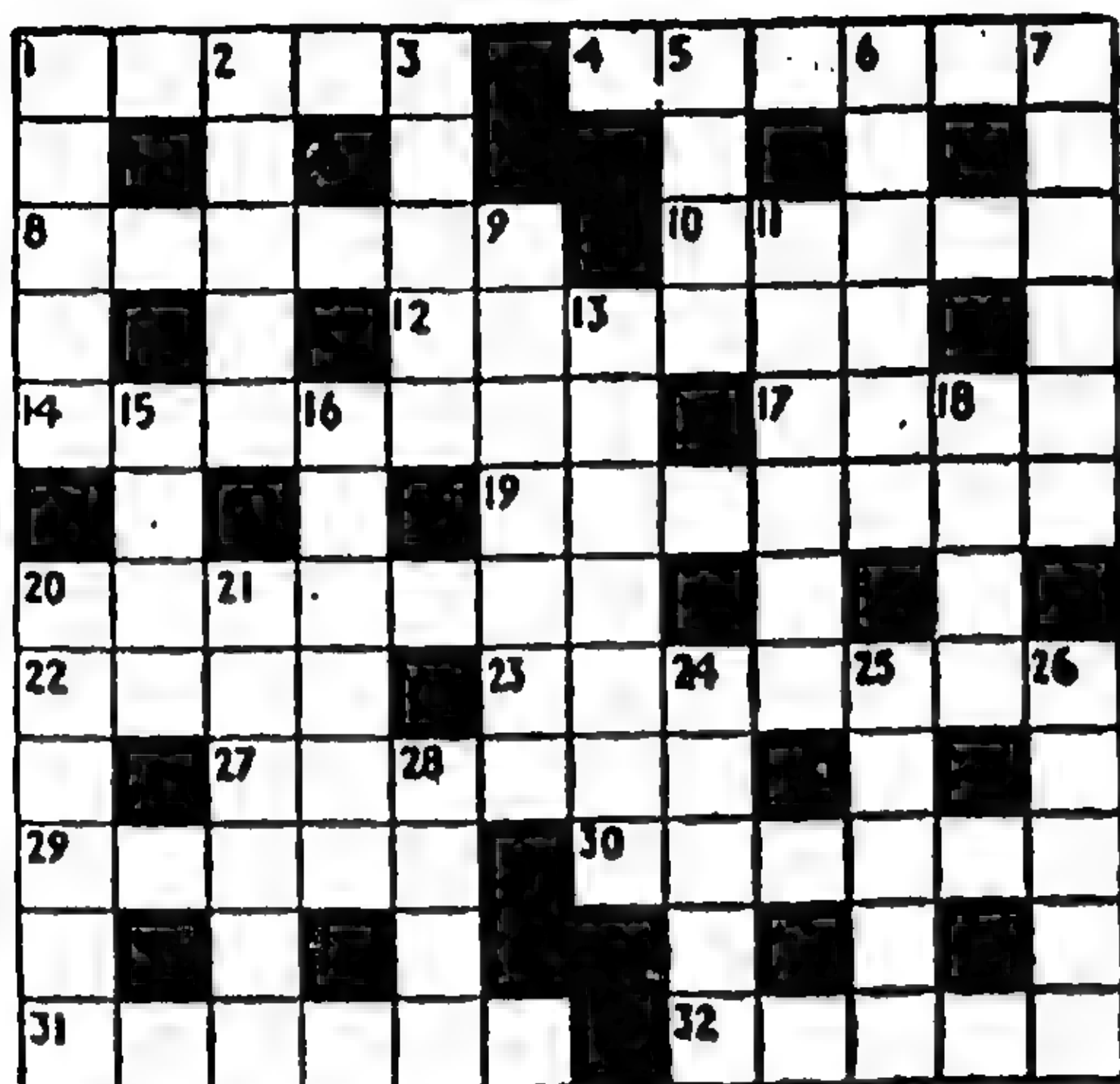
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THE TOP TEN

1. "YOUNG LOVE." Tab Hunter. London. (1)
2. "DON'T FORBID ME." Pat Boone. London. (2)
3. "BANANA BOAT." Harry Belafonte. H.M.V. (3)
4. "LONG TALL SALLY." Little Richard. London. (4)
5. "KNEE DEEP IN THE BLUES." Guy Mitchell. Philips. (5)
6. "DON'T YOU ROCK ME DADDY-O." Lonnie Donegan. Pye-Nixa. (6)
7. "CUMBERLAND GAP." Lonnie Donegan. Pye-Nixa. (7)
8. "TRUE LOVE." Blue Crosby and Grace Kelly. Capitol. (8)
9. "THE GIRL CAN'T HELP IT." Little Richard. London. (11)
10. "SINGING THE BLUES." Guy Mitchell. Philips. (10)

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Rascal (5).
4. Adjusted in advance (6).
8. Accident (6).
10. Willow (5).
12. Public school (6).
14. Piece of embroidery (7).
17. Yield (4).
19. Deer meat (7).
20. Part of the nose (7).
22. Pitcher (4).
23. Mariner (7).
27. Rowing crew (6).
28. Steer (5).
30. Fellow-travellers, as it were (6).
31. Sweet (6).
32. Swords (5).

DOWN

1. Receptacles for oil (5).
2. Where, in India, Sambo's boss turns up (5).
3. Gem (5).
5. Basis (4).
6. Glistens (6).
7. Container for soup (6).
9. Irritable (7).
11. Gregarious (6).
13. Cleric (7).
15. Declare (4).
16. Rotten (6).
18. Obstinate (4).
20. Makes noise (6).
21. Observing (6).
24. Outcome (5).
25. Sensitive (5).
26. Gluts (5).
28. Tackle (4).

THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Placid, 4. Barge, 7. Eminence, 8. Alone, 10. Signed, 12. Esteem, 13. Release, 15. Lustre, 18. Treat, 19. Exceeded, 20. Arson, 21. Spread, Down: 1. Press, 2. Canon, 3. Dandelion, 4. Breast, 5. Redoubt, 6. Excess, 10. Gallions, 12. Selects, 13. Reins, 14. Adorn, 15. Sheds, 17. Eriod.

CYRIL STAPLETON'S COLUMN

Singing, acting, she's got the top quality

This girl called London has me intrigued

WHO is Julie London? Is she an actress who can sing, or a singer who can act? I find it difficult to decide.

Julie is in two films now going the rounds in Britain. "The Girl Can't Help It" and "The Great Man." In the first she plays a subsidiary role of a singer, but in "The Great Man" she rates co-starring status with that accomplished actor Jose Ferrer.

I've just been listening to her first long player to be issued in Britain — "Julie Is Her Name." Frankly, I find her whispering, come-hither approach a trifle too sexy for my tastes.

But she's obviously a girl to be taken seriously. The acting bit is no flash-in-the-pan.

At the age of 16 she was spotted by a film scout. Result: a contract and 10 pictures in a row. But they didn't make Julie into a star.

BROKEN MARRIAGE

PERHAPS she delayed the process by falling in love with Jack "Mr. Dragnet" Webb. She became Mrs. Webb and they had two daughters.

That marriage went on the rocks and it wasn't until Julie one evening that her career moved forward again. A friend dared her to go to the microphone and sing.

She didn't need a great deal of encouragement. Actually, she'd started to sing at the age of three. Her parents were vaudeville entertainers and Julie occasionally appeared in their act.

The nightclub manager's ears twitched approvingly to the voice of Julie London, and he

rushed her into a six weeks' engagement. Then came a recording contract.

Her first disc, "Cry Me A River," sold 500,000 copies and brought cabaret bookings all over America. The film companies, having let her slip through their fingers once, made no mistake the second time.

This girl, of formidable talents, has an obvious affinity to the world of celluloid drama. The romantic light in her eye nowadays is said to be for actor John Ireland.

If you care to assess her purely singing worth—and she certainly has a rare gift for projecting a cheek-to-cheek intimacy on record—I recommend a few minutes of close attention to her latest recording. Appropriately enough, it's on the London label, and it's called "The Meaning of the Blues," backed by "Now, Baby, Now."

LOOK OUT—HERE'S LITTLE RICHARD

ELVIS PRESLEY was so busy of hugging the headlines that another exhibitionist crept up on us unobserved. In the Top Ten records listed here there are two by Little Richard.

This 22-year-old Negro, once pianist and gospel singer, flings

himself into his act with the fanatical energy of a dervish. Much of the exuberance gets over on record. If you are not a "square," it doesn't matter a bit that the lyrics (if there are any) of "Long Tall Sally," "The Girl Can't Help It," and "She's Got It" are gibberish, or that Richard sings like a man babbling in delirium. It is just good fun.

After all, this isn't poetry; it's rock 'n' roll.

GETTING A LAUGH OUT OF CALYPSO

THE onset of Calypso songs hasn't escaped the acute ear of that brilliant musical satirist Stan Freberg.

However you feel about the Calypso versus Rock 'n' Roll contest make a point of listening to Freberg's devastating take-off of "The Banana Boat Song." It's his funniest effort so far.

In "Banana Boat Song" Freberg drops neatly into the character of a drummer intent on taking the Calypso singer out of his bellowing stride by plaintive interruption. ("Need you sing so loud, man? I can still hear you.")

The only British artist to fall under the Freberg lash so far is Skiffle singer Lonnie Donegan.

Lonnie is the Glasgow-born Cockney who adopted the American Negro folk song—then sold it back to America at higher prices.

Freberg has cut loose with a vicious—but still humorous—parody of Donegan's nasal mock-Southern accents. Was Donegan wounded?

"Just flattered," he told me before he left again for the States last week. "When you're caricatured, then you know you're famous."

THE TOP NAME YOU HAVE NEVER SEEN

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The fantastic success of Lawrence Whelk's Champagne Music is a lively indication that there is still a vast public for the simple melody.

There is always a Lawrence Whelk long-player on the American best-sellers list—but in Britain he is issued only on 78.

Here are some of his latest titles: "Whispering Heart," "Vivacious Waltz," "Claco Robles," "Stamping at the Savoy."

FICTION SHELF

by PHILIP OAKES

THE MASTER. By T. H. White. Cape. 15s. Frightening and ingenious adventure—fantasy about a 157-year-old master-mind who has hollowed out Rockall (rising 70ft. from the Atlantic) as his base for world conquest. Invasion by 12-year-old twins, and their dog. Super gadgets on show, and sinister cast, including a Chinese mandarin named Mr. Blenkinsop, and a Negro mule named Pinkie. Written with simplicity and style; rather like Robert Louis Stevenson trying his hand at science fiction.

THE SPIKED HEEL. By Richard Marsden. Constable. 16s. American big-business novel, set in a shoe factory, with hard-working head of the Costing Department fighting for control against a handsome sadist assigned to take over. Sexy goings-on at a buyers convention. Executive intrigue as authentic as an inter-office memo. Readability unquestioned, but the documentary detail (shoe-making from the first to the last) tends to become a bit obsessive.

GREENWILLOW. By B. J. Chute. Hale. 10s. 6d. Professional but saccharine whimsy, set in American Arcadia, with feuding clergymen (Hellfire Lapp versus Gentle Birdsong), apple-cheeked heroine, and homespun hero. Rather disarming, but only for readers with a sweet tooth.

GREAT CIRCLE. By Robert Carse. Gollancz. 13s. 6d. Unsatisfactory launching of a writer described as a "novelist-sailor"; set in the last days of sail, dealing sketchily with whaling, piracy, South-Sea Islanders, and prejudiced back in old New England. Salt-water passages which suggest that Mr. Carse will do better next time round.

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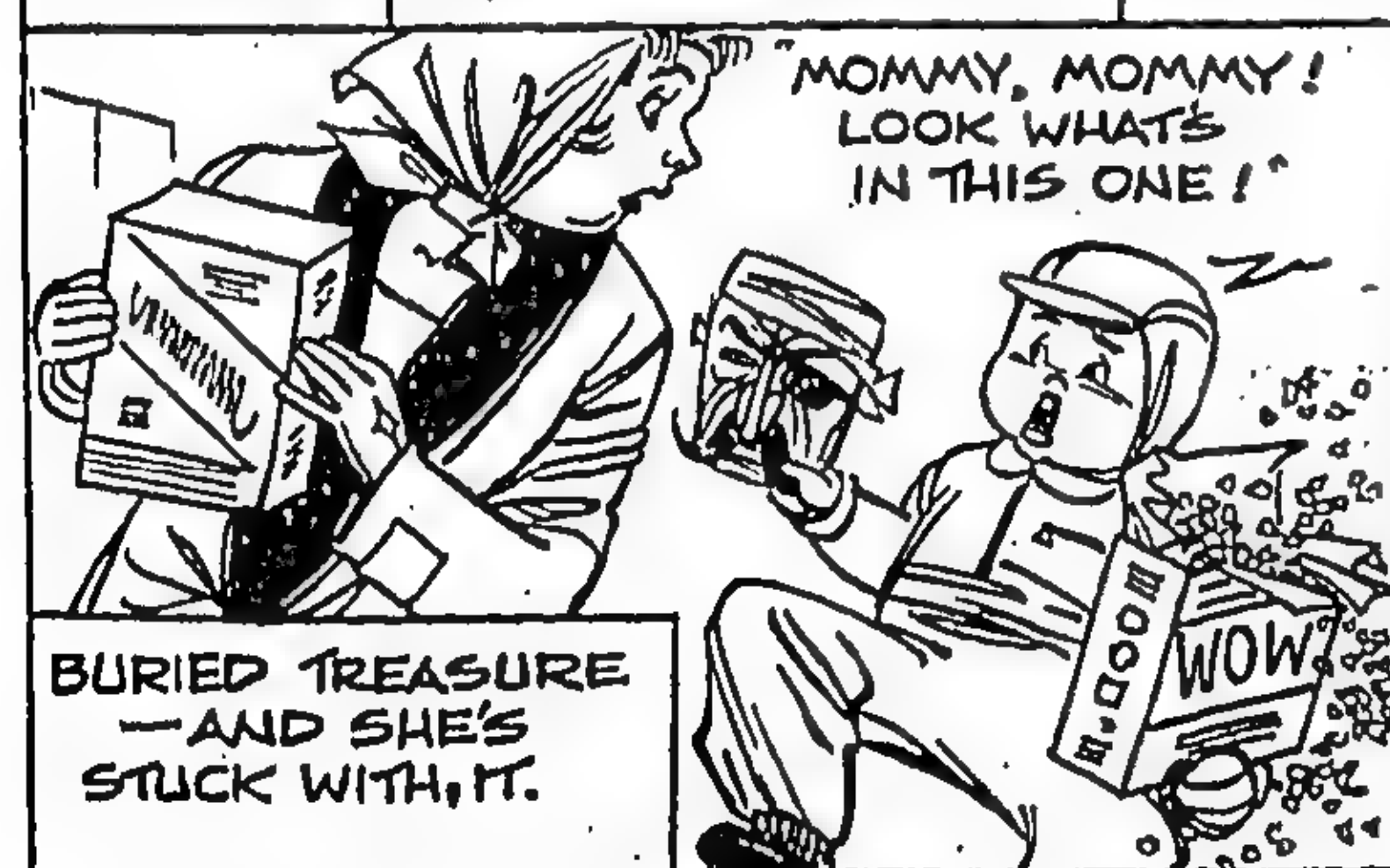
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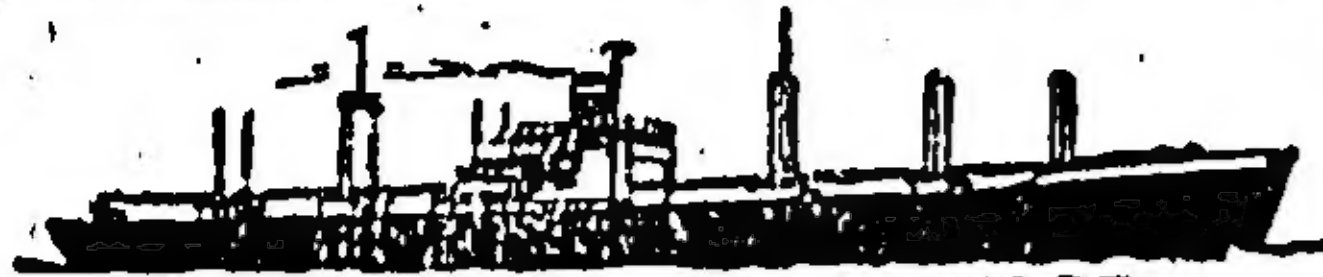
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	s. s. "FATSHAN"	8.00 P.M.	3.00 A.M.	"
	s. s. "TAKSHING"	12.00 Midnight	5.00 P.M.	"
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	m.v. "TAI LOY"	11.30 P.M.	4.00 A.M.	(23rd April)
	s. s. "TAKSHING"	12.00 Midnight	4.30 A.M.	"
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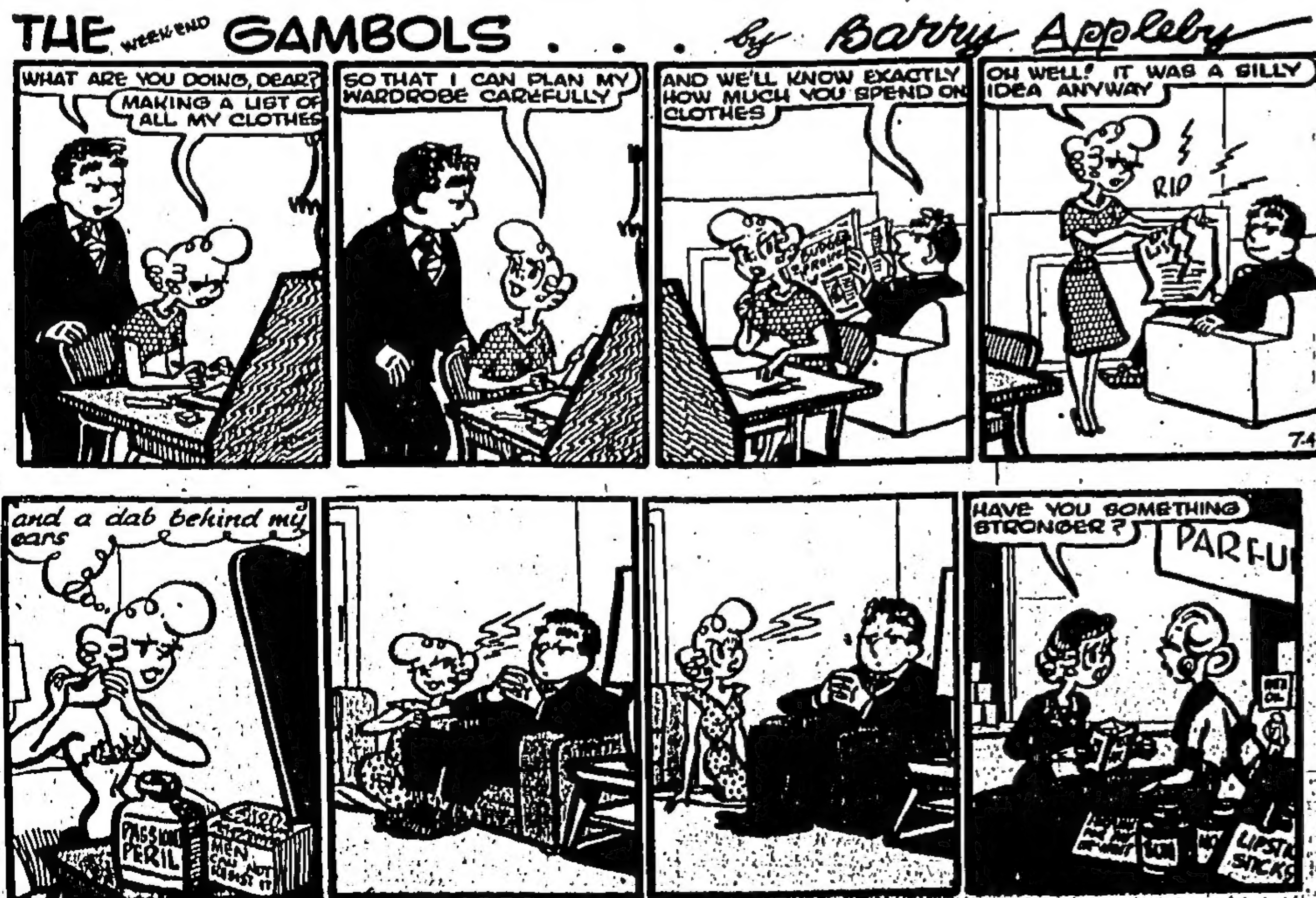


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A Special Easter Story by FERN SIMMS

Case of the Colour-blind Rabbit

CORNELIUS, one of the Easter Rabbit's helpers, was bending over his tins of colourful dye. He sang a happy tune as he merrily dipped the same hard-boiled egg into one and then another, and then still another of the tins he had lined up before him.

"How's this?" he asked. "It's a beauty, isn't it?" His two brothers, Ralph and Henry, shut their eyes in despair. The egg was a horrible brownish-purple. They both forced smiles and nodded weakly.

"Very nice," they agreed. Cornelius went on dipping eggs from one tin into another.

"If only he'd stick to one colour at a time," grumbled Ralph when he was out of his brother's hearing. "But no, he must throw them from one colour into another, no matter how often we ask him not to." "He thinks he's very artistic," sighed Henry. "Sometimes I think we shouldn't let him dye eggs. He could just cut strips



of paper grass, or weave baskets. "He'd feel hurt, though," said Ralph. "He's so proud of his work. We can't mention that he's colour blind. He's very sensitive about it." He shook his head. "He tries so hard to do well. He puts his heart into his work."

Henry agreed. "He puts his heart into his work, but he puts the eggs into the wrong tins. And they all turn out the same—either gloomy purple-brown, or sickly greenish-black. We can't deliver those eggs to small children. Why they'd turn against eggs for life."

"There must be some answer," said his brother. "Well, come. It's time for lunch."

They met the rest of the helpers in the dining field behind the vegetable garden. The others were already eating. They greeted their friends and sat down to their food. Henry lifted up the bright dandelion greens. "Egg salad again!" The others nodded. One said, "It's Cornelius again. He's been having a real fling for himself with the colours."

"Someone has to eat them," said another. "Something must be done about this," said Henry. "Can't we just give him one colour—maybe a lovely blue. Then he can't get into trouble."

That sounded like a good idea, and when Cornelius came in to eat they told him they were cutting him down to one tin. "It will be a beautiful colour," said Henry, trying to make it sound good.

Cornelius looked down at his plate. "If that's what you want," he said sadly. After that they all lost their appetites. Cornelius tried to eat and talk as though nothing was wrong, but the others knew he was unhappy. Making Cornelius unhappy made them feel very blue. When Cornelius finally left, Ralph pushed his food away from him. "I'd almost rather deliver those awful coloured eggs than have him look like that. If only he could see each colour as it is."

"But he can't," said Henry. "That's the trouble." "Wait a minute!" cried Ralph. "He can't see the colours as they are. That's the answer." He ran nimbly to the hollow tree where the dyes were kept. He piled six tins into a wheelbarrow and rolled them over to where Cornelius worked. The others followed.

★ ★ ★ "Why," exclaimed one, "he's giving him six tins. He'll make his usual mess."

Cornelius was busy and happy as he joyfully dipped the same egg into three different tins.

Henry groaned. "Here he goes again."

But Ralph was beaming, and the rabbits couldn't understand why he was so happy.

"Very, very nice," they heard him say to Cornelius. "He sounds like he means it," said Henry. "I'm afraid to look."

They came closer still, all they could see into the inside of the tins. There were six tins all right, but each was filled with the same lovely colour—sky blue!

Tin's Hidden Treasure

—He Explains Why It Was There Yet Wasn't There—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow children with the turned-about names, came into the room with a box of prunes and a bag of raisins.

Seeing General Tin, the Tin Soldier, standing in the corner with his musket over his shoulder, Knarf and Hanid immediately went over to him.

"General Tin, dear," said Hanid as she held out the bag of raisins, "won't you have some?"

"Thank you, Hanid," said General Tin as he helped himself to some raisins.

"And, General," said Knarf, holding out the box of prunes, "will you have some of these, too?"

"Thank you very kindly, I will," said General Tin. And he helped himself to three or four.

Then General Tin, having eaten the raisins and the prunes, suddenly smiled.

"That reminds me of something that happened when I was a very small boy. It's about a bag of plums and grapes that my mother once brought home from the store. I took them and hid them away. Later, when I came to look for those plums and grapes, I found them exactly where I had left them—only they weren't there any more."

Knarf and Hanid looked very puzzled.

"They weren't there?"

"You mean," said Knarf, "that you found the bag of plums and grapes just where you had left them, and still they weren't there any more?"

General Tin nodded.

"But how could you find them, and at the same time not find them?"

"That," said General Tin, "is the story."

"Well," began General Tin, "I was very fond of plums or grapes. So when Mother



The Shadows offered General Tin some raisins and prunes.

brought them home, I began gulping them down. It was very greedy of me. And to make matters worse—I heard my Cousin George coming into the house. He liked plums and grapes as much as I did. So I dashed downstairs into the cellar and hid the bag of plums and grapes.

"Where did you hide them?"

"Behind the furnace," said General Tin. "I intended to look for them again as soon as Cousin George went away."

"And what happened?" Knarf wanted to know.

General Tin shook his head sadly.

"My mother must have known what I had done with that bag of plums and grapes. She looked the cellar door to punish me—which was right."

"And," continued General Tin, "she kept the door locked until nearly the end of the winter. Then, one fine day, she smiled and said I could go down to the cellar and find my bag of plums and grapes. But there was a funny look in her face, as though to say that she was quite sure that I wouldn't find them any more."

"But you did find them," said Hanid.

"I did and I didn't. I went down to the cellar and ran behind the furnace. There was the bag of plums and grapes all right—just where I had left it. But I didn't pull out plums and I didn't pull out grapes. Oh no!"

"What did you pull out?"

Hanid said.

"Warm Furnace"

General Tin laughed. "You see, my dear, the plums and the grapes had become all dried out during all those months behind the warm furnace. They became dried and wrinkled. So that instead of finding plums I found prunes and instead of finding grapes, I found raisins. Because those dried plums and raisins are—dried plums and grapes. And that's why I say that though I found the bag of plums and grapes I didn't really find them at all. Not really."

ZOO'S WHO



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MAYFLOWER SAW TWO MIRACLES

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This band of devout Christians were well versed in the Bible. When they prayed and spoke the name of God, it was with deep reverence.

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The proud and profane

A proud and very profane seaman, the wildest of the wild crew, mockingly said he hoped to cast half of them overboard before they landed.

Soon after he made that statement, he became miserably sick and died.

As passengers and crew conducted the simple ceremony for his burial at sea, the Pilgrims voiced the opinion that this was none other than the just hand of God upon the seaman's wickedness.

The second miracle concerned not a godless but a God-fearing man, John Howland.

The weather had become so bad that all passengers had been ordered to remain below decks. But John Howland ventured out on the main deck in the midst of a violent gale.

A mountainous wave struck the ship and swept him off his feet.

Howland shouted against the roar of the storm, but his voice was lost in the gale as he disappeared into the churning waters of the sea.

But as he went down, his hand grasped the end of the rope that hung over the side of the ship. When the ship rose again, the next breath, Howland hanging desperately to the rope,



As he went down, his hand grasped the end of the rope.

was swung against the ship's side.

In that moment a seaman grabbed the boat hook, thrust it through Howland's leather jacket and hauled him up to safety.

Every Pilgrim on the Mayflower agreed that it was the hand of God that had reached out to save the pious John Howland.

Though these happenings were miraculous, we realize the greatest miracle of all was the crossing itself. It was a great miracle that the tiny Mayflower withstood 67 days on the stormy Atlantic, covering about 3,000 miles before Cape Cod was sighted.

—EVELYN WITTER

Rupert and the Rock Pool—27



inspecting your part of the sea, it slipped off and was lost. Now you have brought it back and already a chain to fit me better is being made. Look, I and my many legs working with shells and seaweed make a new, better chain."

All night

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"LEMAINE"	May 11	Palembang & Belawan Dili
"HOUTMAN"	May 13	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

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Vessels	Arrivals from	Sailings to:
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"TJAWANGI"	May 2	
"STRAAT SOENDA"	May 8	
"HOUTMAN"	May 13	
"TJILUWAI"	May 18	

PHILIPPINES

Vessels	Arrivals from	Sailings to:
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VIRGO Aug. 24-Sept. 23—The clouds are lifting. Sun is again yours. You will make progress and progress now with more speed.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Your present situation is better than it looked a little better, but still keep a windward eye out for upsets.

You may find some stable assets on which to depend. They will help you in new efforts in renewing activity.

SAGITTARIUS (Dec. 23-Jan. 20). Catch your breath and get affairs organized. Today is calm before the storm. Take advantage of the lull now.


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ENGLISH EASTER SOCCER

Manchester U. Should Retain Championship

By OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Apr. 19.

Manchester United are within a couple of points of retaining their First Division Championship.

They got off to a grand start to their Easter holiday programme today when they beat Burnley 3-1.

A fine performance indeed for Burnley who were previously unbeaten at home this season. Manchester's vote of thanks goes to Irish International inside-forward, Billy Whelan, who scored all three goals—the only hat-trick of the day.

Preston Northend who at the beginning of the season were languishing near the foot of the table continue their great bid to gain the runners-up spot.

Sunderland's Fight

Today they beat Sheffield Wednesday 1-0 to take them three points clear of Spurs who were held to a draw by Charlton.

And at the bottom of the table Sunderland's fight to maintain their proud record of never having played in any other division but the First looks like succeeding.

Today they triumphed 2-0 over Leeds and are five points ahead of Portsmouth who are second from the foot of the table.

Relegation

Portsmouth themselves brightened their Easter outlook. Their chance of escaping relegation depends almost solely on overhauling Cardiff. Today they beat Cardiff 1-0 and are now only two points behind the Welsh Club.

The issue may be finally decided on Monday when Cardiff entertain Portsmouth in the return match.

Leeds United already certain of promotion to the First Division today clinched the Second Division Championship with a 5-1 win over Leyton Orient.

Nottingham Forest and Blackburn Rovers are still fighting it out for the privilege of going up with Leicester.

Forest did not have a game today but their neighbours Nottingham did them a good turn by holding Blackburn to a one all draw.

Forest and Blackburn now each have 60 points but the

Notts Club have four games to play against Blackburn's two.

Good Turn

Notts County did themselves a good turn for that point can help them avoid relegation. Colchester United kept their two points lead over Torquay in the Third Division South by beating Walsall 2-0.

In the Third Division North, leaders Derby County dropped a point at Chesterfield but increased their lead over Accrington to two points as the Lancashire Club were beaten 2-0 by Hull—London Express Service.

FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, Apr. 19.
Results of English League matches played today were:

DIVISION I

Arsenal	1	Blackpool	1
Bolton	2	Luton Town	2
Burnley	1	Manchester U.	3
Charlton	1	Tottenham	1
Cardiff	0	Everton	1
Newcastle	1	Chelsea	4
Portsmouth	1	Cardiff	0
Preston	1	Sheffield W.	0
Sunderland	2	Leeds	0

DIVISION II

Blackburn	1	Notts C.	1
Bristol	1	West Ham	1
Fulham	2	Barnsley	1
Gillingham	4	Doncaster	2
Leyton	1	Leicester	3
Lincoln	3	Rotherham	5
Liverpool	4	Bristol R.	1
Port Vale	0	Swansea	2

DIVISION III (SOUTH)

Aldershot	0	Plymouth	2
Bournemouth	1	Coventry	2
Brentford	2	Queens Park	0
Colchester	2	Walsall	1
Crystal P.	2	Brighton	0
Gillingham	0	Southend	2
Millwall	1	Exeter	3
Newport	2	Shrewsbury	0
Norwich	1	Ipswich	0
Torquay	2	Southampton	0
Watford	1	Reading	0

DIVISION III (NORTH)

Carlisle	2	Tranmere	2
Chesterfield	2	Derby	2

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ROSEBERY STAKES

London, Apr. 19.

There are 15 probable runners for the Rosebery Stakes to be run at Kempton Park, tomorrow, over a mile and a quarter.

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Darlington	0	Holifax	1
Hartlepool	2	Mansfield	1
Hull City	2	Accrington	1
Oldham	1	Bradford	1
Scunthorpe	1	Gateshead	2
Southport	1	Chester	1
Workington	0	Barrow	0
Wrexham	5	Crewe	0
York City	0	Stockport	0

SCOTTISH A

Ayr	4	Queen's Park	4
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SCOTTISH B

Stranraer	3	Brechin City	1
Stirling	1	Hamilton	2
Stenmuir	2	Berwick	1

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Rediffusion

11 a.m. Morning Medley; 11.30. London Play House—"The Woman in the Hall"; 12 Noon, Tune Time; 12.30 p.m. Three Men on a Horse; 1.30 p.m. The Songs of Three Top Male Vocalists; 1.45. Keyboard Capers; 2.15. News and Special Announcements; 2.30. Popular Concert Selections; 2.45. Saturday Day Frequent Presented by Betty; 3. Year by Year—Featuring the Stone—by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle; 3.45. "Buck Tregellis"—Starling Davis Peck; 4. Western Half Hour; 4.30. Rhythmic Parade; 5. Unit Requests presented by Linda; 5.15. 24 Police District Dot; 5.30. "I Love a Mystery"; 5.45. Rediffusion's voice of Sport; 6. Hit Parade; 6.30. Harlequin—Nocturne; 6.45. Artists; 10. Hollywood Open House—Starring Guy Kibbee and Richard Arlen; 10.30. Music from Maxine; 11. Rediffusion's Dance Party; 11.45. Scottish Cup Final—Remembrance by George Davidson on the second half of the Scottish Cup Final at Hampden Park, Glasgow—Relayed through the General Overseas Service of the B.B.C.; 12.45 a.m., "God Save the Queen"; Close Down.

NAMESAKES

Answers: — 1. Scotland, 2. Marmion, 3. Border, 4. Waverley, 5. Evanhoe, 6. Kendalworth, 7. Castle, 8. Rowena, 9. Mortality, 10. History, 11. Woodstock, 12. Court, 13. Account, 14. Tournament.

Sir Walter Scott.

NOTICE

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON LTD.
(Incorporated in Hong Kong)

Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the Head Office of the Society, Alexandra House, Hong Kong, at 11.30 a.m. on Friday the 24th day of May 1957 for the following purposes namely:—

- To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon and to declare a dividend.
- To elect Directors.
- To appoint auditors and fix their remuneration.
- To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:—

"That with effect from and including the 29th day of May 1957 each of the 200,000 shares of £10 each in the Capital of the Society shall be divided into 10 shares of £1 each."

- To transact any other ordinary business of the Society.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Society will be closed from Thursday the 9th day of May 1957 to Tuesday the 28th day of May 1957 both days inclusive.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,

Dated this 18th day of April, 1957.

L. B. STONE,
General Manager.

NOTE:

- A Member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting may appoint a Proxy to attend and vote on his behalf and such Proxy need not also be a Member of the Society.

- Proxy forms should be returned to the registered office of the Society, Alexandra House, Hong Kong, not later than 11.30 a.m. on the 22nd May, 1957.

For the convenience of shareholders resident in the United Kingdom the Society has arranged that proxies may be delivered not later than the 13th May 1957 to the London Manager, 78-80, Cornhill, London E.C.3, for transmission by him to the Society's Registered Office.



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of the Hong Kong Jockey
Club, Alexandra House, 8th
Floor, on Tuesday 30th April,
1957, at 5.30 p.m. to receive
the Report of the Committee
for the year ended 31
December, 1956, and to
approve the Accounts and to
transact such other business
as may be necessary accord-
ing to the Constitution of the
Society.

By order of the
Executive Committee,
H. MATLAND,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 18th April, 1957.

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